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PROCEEDINGS.

HENDERSON, GRANVILLE CO., N. C.,
THURSDAY, Sept. 28th, 1876.

The Tar River Baptist Association convened with the church in this place to-day, in its Forty-sixth Annual Session.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder George M. Duke, from Psalms 133, 1st verse: "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

At 3 o'clock, P. M., the Moderator, Dr. Thos. J. Pitchford, of Warren, called the Association to order.

Prayer was offered by Elder J. D. Huf ham, of the *Recorder*.

Brethren M. C. Duke and R. M. Freeman were appointed a Committee on Finance.

Elder J. A. Pitchford was appointed Reading Clerk.

The roll of Churches being called, the following answered by letters and delegates:

1. *Antioch*—D. C. Thrower, William Dickens.
2. *Bear Swamp*—W. E. Bowers, Albert G. Willcox.
3. *Brown's*—Turner Allen, E. Hicks, John Watson.
4. *Conoconary*—E. P. Powell.
5. *Cypress Chapel*—A. C. Stallings, M. R. Moore.
6. *Corinth*—Elder M. R. Pinnell, P. J. Dement, Elder P. H. Pinnell.
7. *Gardner's*—J. H. Nicholson, J. R. Rodwell.
8. *Greenville*—J. R. Rouse.
9. *Henderson*—J. M. Currin, E. L. Parish, F. M. Meadows.
10. *Hickory Chapel*—J. C. Sexton, W. S. Dozier.
11. *Louisburg*—Not represented.
12. *Littleton*—C. A. Saddler, W. H. Bobbitt.
13. *Maple Spring*—A. W. Jackson, S. T. Dement, Dr. W. C. Lankford.
14. *Mt. Zion*—William Cooper, Daniel Inscoe.
15. *Mt. Olivet*—Calvin Wilder, Thos. May.

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16. *New Bethel*—William Dickey, J. H. Nuckles, J. T. C. Johnson.
17. *New Hope*—Not represented.
18. *Peach Tree*—J. T. Webb, R. D. Bowden, Elder W. J. Fulford.
19. *Philadelphia*—A. C. Griffin, J. S. Beal.
20. *Pleasant Grove*—Gideon Coggin, G. A. Winstead.
21. *Poplar Spring*—R. M. Freeman, Retherford Perry.
22. *Red Bud*—John Edwards, S. R. Pearce.
23. *Red Oak*—J. C. Beal, J. C. Coley.
24. *Reedy Creek*—Dr. T. J. Pitchford, M. C. Duke, M. T. Duke.
25. *Rock Spring*—J. H. Odom, J. L. Cheves.
26. *Samaria*—Burtis Cone.
27. *Sandy Creek*—J. J. May, J. J. Ward, Lockey Wester.
28. *Sharon*—Elder L. C. Perkinson.
29. *Tarboro'*—Not represented.
30. *Warrenton*—J. R. Johnson.
31. *Wilson*—Letter.
32. *Zion*—J. T. Brinkley, J. P. Savage.
33. *Hawkins' Chapel* (colored)—Joe Green, Peter Perry.
34. *Shiloh* (colored)—Lewis Hawkins, Handy Crudup, Wm. Perry.

The church at Henderson petitioned for a letter of dismission from this Association to join another of like faith and order.

The churches at Maple Spring, Mt. Zion and Pleasant Grove petitioned for the next Association.

Hawkins' Chapel asked for a letter of dismission.

On motion of Elder Duke, the Association was permanently organized by re-electing Dr. Thos. J. Pitchford, Moderator, and Dr. W. C. Lankford, Clerk and Treasurer.

Dr. Pitchford referred to the many times he had been honored by this position, and said he felt awed rather than flattered. As he advanced in years he felt more secure in his conviction of the truth of our principles. He counseled the churches to send young men, as well as old, as delegates, as they must soon take the seats of the aged.

Invitations were given to visiting brethren and messengers from other Associations, and seats were accepted by Elder R. H. Griffith, representing Southern Baptist Theological Seminary; Elder J. S. Purefoy, Agent Wake Forest

College; Dr. A. McDowell, Chowan Baptist Female Institute; Elder J. D. Hufham, *Biblical Recorder;* and Elder T. J. Horner, of Flat River Association.

Ministers of Tar River Association present, who are *ex-officio* members: Dr. W. T. Brooks, J. A. Pitchford, G. M. Duke, W. J. Fulford, L. C. Perkinson, Walter Milne, M. R. Pinnell and P. H. Pinnell, and Daniel Wester, Licentiate.

The Clerk read the Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

The Pastor and Deacons of Henderson church were appointed a Committee on Religious Exercises during the Association.

The Clerk, Elder W. J. Fulford and Bro. A. W. Jackson were appointed a Committee of Arrangements.

Adjourned until to-morrow, 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Elder J. S. Purefoy.

Services in Baptist Church at night by Elder Hufham. Text: Romans 5th chap., 9th verse, "Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him."

FRIDAY MORNING, 9 o'clock.

Prayer by Elder Milne.

The Committee of Arrangements reported as follows:

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

1. The Association shall meet at 9 A. M., and adjourn at 1 P. M Meet at 2½ P. M., and adjourn at 5 P. M.
2. Read the Report on Foreign Missions.
3. Read the Report on State Missions.
4. Appoint a Committee to select Ministers to preach Stated Sermons.
5. Appoint a Committee to nominate Standing Committees.
6. Read the Report on Ministerial Education.
7. Read the Report on Periodicals.

8. Read the Report on Sunday Schools.
9. Read the Report on Obituaries.
10. Unfinished Business—Home Missions.
11. Printing Minutes—Transcribing Old Minutes.
12. Report of Finance Committee.
13. Treasurer's Report.
14. Select Time and Place of next Association.
15. Miscellaneous Business.
16. Report of Committee on Stated Sermons.
17. Report of Committee on Standing Committees.
18. Appoint Delegates to Baptist State Convention.
19. Resolutions.
20. Report of Historian.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LANKFORD,
W. J. FULFORD,
A. W. JACKSON,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was called for. Elder Pitchford asked to have it postponed until evening.

Report on State Missions called for. No report; postponed.

Elders J. S. Purefoy, G. M. Duke and W. J. Fulford were appointed a Committee to nominate Ministers to preach Stated Sermons.

Brethren John Watson, Col. H. Harris and P. J. Dement were appointed a Committee to nominate Standing Committees.

Report on Ministerial Education was called for. Elder Bailey, the Committee, not being present, no report was presented.

Elder N. A. Purefoy arrived.

Dr. McDowell suggested a mass-meeting to-night on Ministerial Education.

Dr. Brooks moved to hold said mass-meeting at 7 o'clock. Adopted.

It was moved that Elder R. H. Griffith proceed to address

the Association on the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

The following is a synopsis of his remarks:

The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary is designed to furnish to those called of God to preach, opportunities for the study of the Bible, under the best possible advantages. When God calls a man to preach the Gospel, He calls him to study and to know that Gospel. A call to the ministry includes as much a call to know the Gospel, as one to preach it. God does not call one to teach what he does not know. Of all men, he, who feels in his heart that God has laid on him the work of the ministry, and feels a burning desire for the salvation of souls, most earnestly desires to understand the Bible. He will study it, and the Seminary is to give the best facilities therefor.

When God calls a man to preach, he ought to preach, *he will preach*, and woe is the man who comes in the name of God, when God has not sent him!

The Seminary is not designed to establish any class of ministers as above others, but simply and only to furnish to preachers the best possible advantages for studying the Bible—to furnish these advantages to any of our brethren in the ministry who can avail themselves of them.

All cannot go, but some can, and ought to go. It is better for a young minister to spend a year or two there and enjoy its advantages, and thereby gain a knowledge of the Bible, which otherwise, in the busy cares of the pastorate, and weekly toil for his support, it would take him many years to acquire. Many of our brethren have not had the advantages of a classical education, and can never have, to such the Seminary offers peculiar advantages, since it invites ministers who have only an English education, and gives to such the benefits of as thorough theological instruction as possible. Quite a number of these brethren who have been to the Seminary and been most benefitted by its advantages, have been those who knew nothing of Latin or Greek. Nor are its advantages restricted to young ministers. Brethren who have been preaching for years, and who have from experience felt the need of such advantages, have gone there and have declared themselves greatly benefitted. Pastors of our churches are invited to go to the Seminary and spend one or more sessions. A number have done so greatly to their pleasure and profit.

This is the only Seminary which the Southern Baptists have. Unless it is endowed it must close. The Baptists of North Carolina are asked to give only twenty-five thousand dollars towards this endowment. This can easily be done without oppressing any one and without injury to any of our other enterprises. It is proposed to raise it in bonds payable in five annual installments—the first installment payable next year, where one has not the means at hand to pay cash.

Dr. McDowell spoke for the interests of the Seminary and urged the Association to aid in endowing it.

Elder J. S. Purefoy said if our ministers who are even now in the ministry, would spend a winter in Greenville, they would be greatly benefitted.

The Clerk read the following

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

It would require an essay on this subject to do it justice and to impress its importance.

A statesman has recently said, that "books are the poor man's fortune;" he might more properly have applied it to newspapers. As a people, we are in stringent circumstances, financially. Thousands of the rising generation can never receive even what was once termed "an old-field education." Papers are cheap, and if parents will supply their children with good religious papers, their minds will become comparatively well educated, and the moral training will be of greater value than the education.

The *Biblical Recorder*, published in Raleigh, N. C., edited by Elders C. T. Bailey and J. D. Hufham, is warmly recommended. No Baptist in North Carolina can fail to subscribe for it without detriment to himself and family.

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LANKFORD, *Com.*

Elder Hufham spoke at length on the history and claims of the *Recorder*.

Dr. McDowell spoke warmly in its behalf.

Elder Griffith addressed a few personal remarks to *one* brother—that brother—who does not subscribe for the *Recorder*.

Elder P. H. Pinnell discussed its merits.

Brother Daniel Wester did not know how Elder Griffith discovered that *he* was not taking the *Recorder*, and went forward to subscribe.

The Moderator spoke at some length concerning the importance of reading and studying the *Recorder*.

Elder Perkinson spoke for its claims.

Bro. Horner thought it the duty of every parent to supply mental as well as physical food for his children, and this could be done by and through the rich columns of the *Recorder*.

Elder Fulford found that the *Recorder* was an educator in his family, besides it introduced him to every worker in the vineyard.

Elder Duke thought these speeches were all excellent, but he wanted something practical, something that would cause the brethren at home to subscribe for the *Recorder*. He urged that delegates use their influence in getting subscribers.

The Clerk offered the following resolution :

Resolved, By these delegates assembled, that we will appoint a Committee in our churches at our next church meeting, to procure subscribers to the *Recorder*.

Elders Milne and M. R. Pinnell advocated the resolution.

The resolution was adopted.

Elder J. S. Purefoy thought the *Recorder* had *always* been good—it was a source of great information.

The report on Periodicals was adopted.

Invitations were again given to visiting brethren, Professors Charles E. Taylor and L. R. Mills, of Wake Forest College, and F. P. Hobgood, of Raleigh Female Seminary, accepted seats.

Bro. Cone was granted leave of absence.

FRIDAY, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The following report was read on

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The purpose of this report is to suggest several topics implied in the Sabbath School work, the discussion of which will give comfort to those

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who are zealous in this cause, and administer rebuke to those who are not. We all agree in the belief that our Lord's command to preach the Gospel to every creature is binding on His disciples now, and will be until He repeals it. Now I ask, can we preach unless we have first been taught? Preachers are teachers—can they preach the true gospel unless they have first been taught? and to this end I recommend Sabbath Schools as the most suitable place to train the young minds, to infuse a knowledge of the Blessed Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Doth not wisdom cry, and understanding put forth her voice, that we should teach our children the ways of holiness? Then we can say of a truth, as Solomon, the wise man, said, "A wise son maketh a glad father." I therefore recommend to every church and neighborhood the early organization of Sabbath Schools. An immense good can be done in this way for our Master's cause.

Christian parents, let me exhort you to be zealous workers in the Sabbath School. Bring your children up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Give them religious instructions in their youth, and it will make lasting impressions, it will sink deep in their hearts, and may be as bread cast upon the waters; you may reap your reward in some future day, and have cause to rejoice with some wayward son or daughter, who returned home and sought refuge in the arms of bleeding mercy. Yes, go to the Sabbath School, and their labor in your Master's vineyard. Be not slow to work; let us not hear the cry, "why stand ye here all the day idle." Go in at the eleventh hour and work for your Master's cause and you will receive your reward.

This is not only a work, but a fight against Satan, and the Sabbath School is the place to begin this fight while the hearts are young, before the evil one sows his seed. Let us fight the good fight of faith, looking to Jesus as the author and finisher of our faith, and we will surely pull down the works of Satan, and help to build up our Lord's Kingdom on earth. This will give us cause to rejoice, to see lost ones returning home and seeking refuge in a crucified but now risen Saviour. I do with all my heart recommend Sabbath Schools in every neighborhood.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. V. BUNTING.

Elder Fulford said, he always took an active interest in Sunday Schools. He intended to work in this field until schools were established in every church. Impressions were made upon his mind when five years of age in the Sunday School. This instruction would banish the isms and schisms of this day.

Prof. C. E. Taylor wished that the masses of the Baptist

ranks could hear the stirring and eloquent speeches that are made at our Conventions and Associations. He advocated Sunday School Institutes. In this way the great subject of Sunday Schools could reach the membership of our churches. Sunday Schools are not simply a place for children, but for *every member* of the church.

Elder Fulford stated that Union Meetings had been established in the lower part of the Association.

Brother Mills thought we should not pervert the Scriptures, and read the Fourth Commandment: "Remember the Sabbath day to '*sleep*' it holy." He gives the history of an "Agriculturo-Sabbath School." He did not believe in uniting other interests with that of Sunday Schools.

Elder Duke discussed the subject at length.

Elder Huf ham thought the delegates here needed awakening on this subject as much as any others. If they become aroused, they will enliven the whole membership. In former days those who were gathered into the churches were persons of mature or advanced age; now, through the workings of the Sunday School, the youth of our land are being brought to Christ—thus giving their best days to God.

It was proposed to organize Sunday School Institutes. Several plans were suggested.

Elder J. S. Purefoy offered the following as an amendment to the report on Sunday Schools:

Resolved, That the churches of this Association be earnestly requested to unite, so far as may be, in the organization of Union meetings or Institutes, in which the subject of Sunday Schools may receive special attention.

Resolved, That four committees be appointed by the Moderator to take this matter under consideration.

Adopted.

The report was then adopted.

It was agreed that opportunity be given to visiting brethren, to-morrow at 10 o'clock, to speak on subjects relating to their agencies, schools, &c.

Elder Pitchford read the following report on

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"Go ye into *all* the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." "How can they believe in him of whom they have not heard, and how can they hear without a preacher, and how can they preach except they be sent?" Such are some of the reasons why we, as Baptists, believe that the word of eternal life should be sent abroad. In all kindreds and tongues, climes and countries, where the glad tidings have been sent, they have been heard and received. Baptists, who this day unite their prayers with ours, for the universal reign of the meek and lowly Jesus; who to-day are holding their own Associations and Conventions, can well remember the time when they first heard and laughed at the name of Jesus. Some of our brethren of to-day can tell you that their fathers, if not themselves, once feasted on their own flesh and blood. While *much* has already been done, *very much* remains to be accomplished. While the enraptured shouts of ransomed thousands are ascending to the heavens from China, Italy, Burmah and the spice-bearing isles of the Pacific Ocean, the agonizing shrieks of perishing millions are crying to us to come over into Macedonia and help. Do we hear them? Do we hear our Saviour? Shall we help them?

J. A. PITCHFORD.

Elder McDowell hoped this subject would receive full attention. It was important that all should understand it.

Elder Milne gave some interesting reminiscences of missionary life, and urged action and interest in this important field.

Elder Hufham discussed the subject at large. Results had been great—in 100 years, two millions of heathen souls had been converted to God. Yet he did not want to see the countenance of Yates, when he shall read these minutes and learn that the Tar River Association, composed of 34 churches, has given only $30 or $40 for the preaching of the gospel to the heathen.*

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* [NOTE.—Elder Huf ham was led into error by a partial statement of the statistics, as reported by the church letters. A greater amount was contributed during the year.—CLERK.]

Dr. McDowell felt that when he gave to Foreign Missions it was unselfish, and was the result of a pure motive.

The report was adopted.

A mass meeting was largely attended on Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

Subject: Ministerial Education.

Prof. Mills, of Wake Forest College, was first introduced. While he spoke eloquently upon the subject in general, he gave incidents in the lives of several ministers—most of them Beneficiaries—which would enlist the sympathies of a savage.

Elder Hufham followed in his charming manner, his inevitable wit and humor gushing through his forcible arguments and stern reasoning.

Elder Duke was called upon, and for a minute labored under a sense of his own deep feeling. His intense earnestness, his fine powers of elocution, and the recital of a portion of his ministerial experience, so impressed his audience that many were bathed in tears.

A collection was taken amounting to nearly one hundred dollars.

SATURDAY MORNING.

After singing, prayer was offered by Elder M. R. Pinnell.

The Moderator announced the following arrangement on Sunday School Institutes:

FIRST SECTION—Henderson, Reedy Creek, Gardner's, Sharon, New Bethel, Brown's, Warrenton. *Committee*—Levi Perkinson, John Nicholson, J. W. Williams, M. T. Duke.

SECOND SECTION—Littleton, Antioch, Bear Swamp, Conoconary, New Hope, Greenville, Wilson, Tarboro. *Committee*—D. T. Cook, W. E. Bowers, Eaton Powell.

THIRD SECTION—Pleasant Grove, Red Oak, Philadelphia, Hickory

Chapel, Peach Tree, Samaria, Zion. *Committee*—W. H. Avera, J. T. Webb, B. F. Drake, E. T. Barkley.

Fourth Section—Maple Spring, Red Bud, Poplar Spring, Corinth, Louisburg, Sandy Creek, Mount Zion, Cypress Chapel, Mt. Olivet, Rock Spring. *Committee*—P. J. Dement, Dr. W. C. Lankford, J. H. Gupton.

The minutes of yesterday were read, amended and approved.

The Clerks of churches were earnestly requested to write their letters to the Association on "Church Letter Blanks," which can be procured at the *Recorder* office. By using these, full statistics can be given.

A letter was received from Conoconary, and Bro. E. P. Powell as delegate.

Also one from Zion, Brethren J. T. Brinkley and J. P. Savage delegates.

The latter church petitioned for the next Association.

The following report on Obituaries was read.

MEMORIAL OF ELDER MARK BENNETT.

We learn from Elder L. B. Bennett, surviving brother of Elder Mark Bennett, that the subject of this memorial was born in December, 1798, three miles from Reedy Creek church in Warren County, N. C. ; that his father moved into North Carolina when Mark was a small boy ; that his opportunities of education were very limited; that he had not more than ten months schooling up to manhood.

At the age of twenty he was a clerk for some one in the town of Nashville, and having occupied the place only four months, he entered the Hilliardston Academy, of which Thos. G. Stone was Principal, where he remained ten months, studying English Grammar, Geography and Latin.

After this he had no professional teacher, but he had a "soul athirst for knowledge," and using diligently his limited means of gratifying that desire, he had acquired long before his death, an accurate and extensive knowledge of English, while his acquaintance with Greek and Latin, though not extensive, was useful to him in searching the Scriptures, which was *daily his delight.* His information on important and entertaining subjects was so abundant and varied, and his method of imparting instruction so clear, convincing and agreeable, that they who enjoyed the pleasure of his conversation were ready to acknowledge themselves his debtors for some useful fact or some pleasant incident. Not uncommonly defective in quick-

ness of apprehension, he was yet more remarkable for a strong memory; for what a Scotch critic calls a "solid way of looking on matters;" for an invincible determination to penetrate the heart of any subject which came within reach of his powers, and was worthy of attention.

Brother Bennett was eminently a servant of Jesus Christ, and the whole of his ministerial life was an evident vindication of the belief that he was graciously separated unto the Gospel of God. His sermons were instructive and searching; and when he entered the pulpit no one failed to perceive that his heart was full of kindness and tender love for those whom he was about to address. We never knew a man who seemed to be more under the control of love for the Divine Master. He had seen His salvation and loved to be telling of it all the day long. His home was a house of knowledge—a sanctuary—sweet resting place for Zion's pilgrims, where, upon setting down to a meal, you felt as if you were about to partake of an ordinance where everything was sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

Physically he was a powerful man, and was subjected for several years to such suffering as would have destroyed very soon an ordinary constitution. It was in the school of uncommonly severe affliction that his *profiting* appeared most clearly unto all who had the privilege of seeing him there. His faith was purified as gold in the furnace. His patience lasted as long as his sufferings, and had, therefore, its perfect work.

Brother Bennett was married twice—first to the widowed mother of Hon. R. R. and Col. John Bridgers, of Edgecombe, and then to Miss Pope, of Halifax. In each of these excellent and godly women, he found a wise counselor to correct the mistakes of his own judgment, and a loving wife who threw the softening charm of her personal influence over the asperity of his natural disposition.

An interesting volume might be compiled from the unpublished letters, poems and other productions from Bro. Bennett's pen, and from the recollections of many persons now living; but your committee felt that they had no right to transgress the limits of simply a report.

It has been made public already that the venerable and beloved subject of his memorial died at "Transient Rest," his residence in Nash County, on the 5th day of August, 1875, in the 76th year of his age.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. R. OWEN,
N. A. PUREFOY,

The Moderator, Elders Hufham and Brooks paid a high tribute to the memory of the late Elder Mark Bennett.

The time and place of the next Association was taken up. After a pleasant rivalry, Pleasant Grove, in Nash County,

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was selected as the place, and Thursday before the 1st Sunday in October, 1877, as the time.

Elder M. R. Pinnell obtained leave of absence.

Elder J. S. Purefoy obtained the floor in behalf of Wake Forest College, and offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That it is with pleasure we learn of the present effort to raise $100,000 for the endowment of Wake Forest College, and of the purpose to raise of this amount $20,000 within the Tar River, Flat River, Beulah and Mt. Zion Associations for the Wait professorship in the College.

Resolved, That we recommend that the churches of this Association raise $5,000 as our share of this professorship.

Resolved, That the following nine brethren be appointed a committee to council, aid and encourage the agent of the college in this work: John Watson, Dr. W. C. Lankford, J. J. Rodwell, W. H. Avera, E. P. Powell, Jas. L. Battle, G. W. Blount, J. T. Webb and Peter J. Dement.

Elder Purefoy then spoke of the trials and efforts of the friends of the College, what they had done, are doing and intend to do.

Resolutions lay on the table until the afternoon.

Bro. F. P. Hobgood, of the Raleigh Female Seminary, spoke of his school, laying its advantages before the members of the Association.

The Association arose to hear the Denominational Sermon by Elder Newell.

SATURDAY, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Clerk was instructed to have 1,200 copies of the minutes printed, and to receive for his labor the usual compensation.

The Clerk reported all the old minutes transcribed in the Record Book.

Home Missions being called up, Elder Griffith proposed changing the title of this branch of Missions to "Associa-

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tional" Missions, and gave a history of similar Missions in the western part of the State. Suggestion adopted.

The Treasurer reported, which report was found correct and adopted as follows:

Received for Minute Fund at Reedy Creek, 1875	$ 63 10
" " Education	122 40
" " Home Missions, (Associational)	31 70
" " Foreign Missions	18 25
Excess over Finance Committee's report	2 00
From church at Poplar Spring	12 00
For advertising	5 00
Remaining in Treasury last year	17 18
Total	$271 63

Disbursements:

Paid for Printing Minutes	$ 45 00	
Paid J. G. Williams for Foreign Mission	18 25	
" " " " Education Board	72 40	
" " " " Dr. Timberlake, (Board &c.)	50 00	
Freight, postage on Minutes and paper	9 75	
Clerk's fee	15 00	
Transcribing Minutes, 227 pages	11 35	
Total		$221 75
Remaining in Treasury		$ 49 88

Respectfully submitted,

W. C. LANKFORD, Treasurer.

The following report on Beneficiaries was read:

Dear Brethren: When you appointed this committee we believed that you intended we should do something. We are pained to inform you that notwithstanding we called the attention of the brethren to the fact that we should not be trammeled for want of funds, as there was a considerable balance remaining in the treasury of the Association, yet no church corresponded with us informing us of there being any young brother, evidently called of the Spirit to preach, and who needed our assistance; hence we did nothing. The action of the Treasurer in paying away the Beneficiary funds of the Association would have trammeled our operations if, in God's providence we had been called upon to support a Beneficiary. To prevent

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a recurrence of this thing we recommend a definite and positive re-statement of the wishes of the Association in the matter. For the year to come we would recommend that this Association contrtbute to the support of Bro. T. R. Walker, a former Beneficiary of this body, and as the funds sent up to this session will be inadequate for his expenses, we would further recommend that on the return of the delegates a collection be taken at once in all our churches, and the funds sent to Rev. G. W. Newell, at Louisburg, N. C., to be used for the liquidation of his liabilities.

G. W. NEWELL,
N. A. PUREFOY,
T. J. ROOKE,
G. M. DUKE,
J. A. PITCHFORD.

This report was amended so that the funds which may be collected by the churches, be sent to Dr. W. C. Lankford, Louisburg, N. C.

A desultory discussion followed as to the Beneficiary, the funds, our system, &c.

Bro. T. R. Walker was adopted as the Beneficiary of this Association.

The report was adopted.

The Finance Committee made the following report:

The Finance Committee beg leave to submit the following report of funds received by us from the various churches, which funds have been handed to the Treasurer:

For Minute Fund	$ 62 85
" Foreign Missions	36 81
" State "	27 16
" Home (Asssociational) Missions	10 50
" Sunday Schools	3 00
" Education	15 95
Total	$156 27

M. C. DUKE,
R. M. FREEMAN,
Committee.

The Committee on Beneficiary was continued.

The Clerk offered the following:

Resolved, That we approve of the effort to raise from the Baptists in this State the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars as North Carolina's quota of

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the endowment of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and commend the same to the liberality of our brethren in this Association.

Adopted.

Elder Newell offered a resolution of a private and personal nature, which the Moderator declined to entertain.

Elder Newell appealed from his decision, when the vote was put to the Association, and the Moderator was unanimously sustained.

Resolutions on Wake Forest College were adopted.

The Committee on Stated Sermons reported as follows:

To preach Introductory Sermon at next Association, Elder L. C. Perkinson; Alternate, Elder P. H. Pinnell.

Denominational Sermon, Elder G. M. Duke; Alternate, Elder W. J. Fulford.

Conventional Sermon, Elder N. A. Purefoy; Alternate, Elder E. F. Beachman.

Adopted.

The Committee on Standing Committees reported as follows:

To write on Foreign Missions, G. M. Duke.
To write on Association Missions, N. A. Purefoy.
To write on State Mission, P. H. Pinnell.
To write on Ministerial Education, W. J. Fulford.
To write on Periodicals, J. A. Pitchford.
To write on Sunday Schools, J. T. Webb.

JOHN WATSON,
P. J. DEMENT,
H. HARRIS,
Committee.

Adopted.

Elder Fulford offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That we return our sincere thanks to Henderson church, and to the citizens of the town and vicinity for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained this Association; and to the members of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches for the tender and use of their houses of worship.

Adopted.

The following were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention:

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J. T. Webb, W. J. Fulford, J. C. M. Coley, F. M. Meadows, P. H. Pinnell, W. H. Avera, A. W. Jackson, W. E. Bowers, Dr. T. J. Pitchford, J. J. Rodwell, N. A. Purefoy, Noah Biggs, C. M. Cooke, John Watson, G. M. Duke, J. A. Pitchford, Daniel Wester, T. R Owen, J. T. Rooke, A. G. Wilcox and J. M. Stallings.

Elder R. H. Griffith was appointed to preach the Conventional Sermon to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

Elder J. S. Purefoy advised delegates to see to their church deeds, and have them taken in the name of trustees, otherwise they cannot hold the property in case of suit.

Petition of Hawkins' Chapel for letter of dismission was laid on the table at the request of the delegates.

Henderson Church withdrew its petition for letter of dismission.

Adjourned to meet at Pleasant Grove Church, in Nash County, on Thursday before the 1st Sunday in October, 1877.

Prayer by Elder N. A. Purefoy.

THOS. J. PITCHFORD, MODERATOR.

W. C. LANKFORD, *Clerk.*

SERVICES.

At Methodist Church on Saturday evening, 3 o'clock, by Elder G. M. Duke. Text: 2nd Cor. 4th chap. 17th verse, "For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory."

Saturday night, at Baptist Church, by Elder J. S. Purefoy. Text: Luke 8th chap. 25th verse, "Where is your faith."

Sunday morning, at Baptist Church, by Elder Griffith. Text: Acts 13th chap. 2d verse, "As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them."

Services at Methodist Church, same hour, by Elder W. J. Fulford.

NOTE.—The Clerk did not learn the order of exercises for Sunday night

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Constituted	COUNTIES.	PASTOR AND HIS POST OFFICE.	CLERK AND HIS POST OFFICE.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Ad'it'ns B'ptism	Ad'it'ns Letter.	Ad'it'ns Rest'n	Dimt'n Letter.	Dimt'n Exclu'n	Dimt'n Death.	White Males.	White Females.	Total Whites.	Colored.	Total.
Antioch	...	Halifax	J. A. Pitchford, Warrenton	H. A. Sledge, Brinkleyville	1	...	2	..	5	2	2	19	57	76	2	78
Bear Swamp	....	Halifax	N. A. Purefoy, Warrenton	J. H. Connell, Brinkleyville	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	8	21	29	32	61
Brown's	1830	Warren	N. A. Purefoy, Warrenton	John Watson, Warrenton	2	...	..	..	2	1	2	16	47	63	130	193
Conoconary	1833	Halifax	T. R. Owen, Tarboro	E. P. Powell, Dawson's X Roads	3	...	1	..	..	..	2	7	28	35	...	35
Cypress Chapel	....	Franklin	W. J. Fulford, Nashville	J. C. Moore, Castalia	....	...	2	..	1	1	..	13	36	49	15	64
Corinth	....	Franklin	E. F. Beacham, Franklinton	A. D. Ellis	3	2	8	1	8	..	..	30	59	89	...	89
Gardner's	....	Warren	N. A. Purefoy, Warrenton	J. R. Rodwell	1	3	..	..	7	..	..	22	55	77	...	77
Greenville	..	Pitt	No Pastor	L. W. Lawrence, Greenville	..	...	..	..	4	4	2	9	53	62	...	62
Henderson	....	Granville	W. T. Brooks, D. D, Wake Forest	J. H. Dunn, Henderson	4	...	..	..	..	..	1	13	11	24	1	25
Hickory Chapel	....	Nash	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston	B, F. Drake, Battleboro	....	...	4	..	..	3	..	49	41	81	...	81
Louisburg	....	.....	Not represented	.....	....	...	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
Littleton	....	Warren	W. T. Walters, D. D., W. F. College	C. L. Sledge, Littleton	2	20	13	..	..	..	..	....	....	48	...	48
Maple Spring	1793	Franklin	E. F. Beacham, Franklinton	Dr. W. C. Lankford, Louisburg	4	...	..	..	3	1	1	39	80	119	24	143
Mt. Olivet	....	Franklin	P. H. Pinnell, Louisburg	F. Tharrington, Franklinton	1	...	..	..	1	3	..	12	36	48	...	48
Mt. Zion	1862	Franklin	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston	A. J. Carr, Laurel	1	6	1	1	1	..	..	21	59	80	...	80
New Bethel	....	Warren	M. R. Pinnell, Franklinton	E. W. Green, Louisburg	1	9	3	..	1	..	..	33	39	72	...	72
New Hope	..	.....	Not represented	.....	....	...	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
Peach Tree	....	Nash	W. J. Fulford, Nashville	H. M. Warren, Nashville	1	9	3	..	3	15	5	..	....	271	51	322
Philadelphia	1859	Nash	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston	J. V. Bunting, Hilliardston	4	3	..	..	5	1	..	26	55	81	2	83
Pleasant Grove	..	Nash	P. H. Pinnell, Louisburg	A. T. Baines, Nashville	3	5	..	..	1	5	1	31	61	92	7	99
Poplar Spring	...	Franklin	W. C. Nowell, Earpsboro	J. H. Cheves, Louisburg	2	28	3	1	2	..	1	51	150	201	35	236
Red Bud	...	Franklin	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston	L. Harper, Castalia	2	1	1	..	1	5	4	51	111	162	6	168
Red Oak	..	Nash	W. J. Fulford, Nashville	E. T. Barkley	3	...	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	70
Reedy Creek	....	Warren	J. A. Pitchford, Warrenton	Dr. J. T. Pitchford, Warrenton	2	29	..	..	6	2	2	53	98	151	19	170
Rock Spring	1874	Franklin	A. J. Nowell, Moore's Mill	J. H. Odom, Louisburg	4	5	6	..	..	..	..	26	37	63	...	63
Samaria	...	Nash	A. J. Nowell, Moore's Mill	Wesley Privett, Stanhope	1	16	1	1	..	..	1	23	56	79	2	81
Sandy Creek	..	Franklin	N. A. Purefoy, Warrenton	N. Davis, Louisburg	3	...	..	..	1	2	1	...	...	148	3	151
Sharon	...	Warren	No Pastor	L. C. Perkinson, pro tem	....	...	..	..	2	..	..	40	84	124	...	124
Tarboro	....	.....	Not represented	.....	....	...	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
Warrenton	....	Warren	C. T. Bailey, Raleigh	J. M. Waddell, Warrenton	....	..	..	..	..	..	1	14	16	30	...	30
Wilson	...	Wilson	T. R. Owen, Tarboro	G. W. Blount, Wilson	1, 3	31	5	..	1	3	..	31	40	71	...	71
Zion	....	Halifax	T. J. Rooke, Scotland Neck	J. T. Lawrence, Scotland Neck	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
Hawkins' Chapel	...	Franklin		George Pugh, Kittrels'	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....
Shiloh (col.)	....	Granville	Braxton Hunt, Kittrells'	Handy Crudup, Kittrels'	....	60	6	..	4	1	2	..	....	....	297	297
						230				40	27	628	1330	2425	626	3121

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE YEAR							PRESENT CONTRIBUTIONS.						Total.
	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educat'n Board.	Sunday School Board.	Pastor's Salary.	Church Expenses	Other Objects.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Educat'n Board	Association Missions.	Associational Fund.	Other Objects.	
Antioch	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 2 00	$	$ 2 00
Bear Swamp												2 00		2 00
Brown's										1 50	1 50	2 50		5 50
Conoconary												2 00		2 00
Cypress Chapel	1 15											1 00		2 15
Corinth						New house						2 50		2 50
Gardner's										4 25		2 60		6 85
Greenville												2 00		2 00
Henderson	19 25	15 01	7 00	3 00	175 00	188 92						2 00		409 18
Hickory					125 00	354 00			25		25	2 00		481 50
Louisburg														
Littleton										5 76		1 50		
Maple Spring					150 00			4 30	3 30	3 30		3 00		163 90
Mt. Olivet												2 00		2 00
Mt. Zion	4 90							5 20				1 50		73 60
New Bethel					50 00							2 09		52 00
New Hope														
Peach Tree												1 75	9 63	11 38
Philadelphia	4 59	30						5 35	5 00			2 00		17 24
Pleasant Grove												2 00		2 00
Poplar Spring					100 00	4 50			6 40			2 00		112 90
Red Bud	1 20								3 00			2 00		6 20
Red Oak												2 00	4 50	6 50
Reedy Creek														
Rock Spring												1 50		1 50
Samaria					36 00	5 00						1 50		42 50
Sandy Creek												1 00		1 00
Sharon												2 50		2 50
Tarboro														
Warrenton					450 00	75	56 30					3 00		510 05
Wilson									2 50	2 50	2 50	1 00		8 50
Zion					350 00	50 00						2 00		402 00
Hawkins'														
Shiloh					125 00							3 00		128 00
														$ 2,450 45

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENT AND HIS POST OFFICE.	Officers & Teachers	Average attendance	Scholars.	Average attendance	Conversions.	Volumes in Library	No. K. Words Ta'n	Other Papers.	Contributions for the year. S. S. Board.	Other Objects.	Total.	No. months School kept open.
Antioch	J. J. Partin, Brinkleyville	11	..	35	....	..	107	..	..	..	.....	.....	....
Cypress	...	5	..	25	20	..	...	..	..	..	.....	.....	....
Corinth	...	..	..	80	....	..	...	..	..	..	.....	.....	....
Gardner's	J. H. Nicholson	7	..	40	....	..	...	..	..	..	.....	.....	....
Henderson	F. M. Meadows, Henderson	8	6	25	20	..	91	..	..	..	.....	.....	12
Maple Spring	A. W. Perry, Louisburg	4	..	25	....	..	...	..	..	..	.....	.....	5
Mt. Zion	Z. Beale, Laurel	5	5	36	25	3	18	..	1	..	.....	.....	7
New Bethel	E. W. Green, Louisburg	6	4	55	35	2	30	..	..	..	.....	.....	5
Peach Tree	J. T. Webb, Nashville	10	..	50	35	..	100	..	1	..	.....	.....	....
Philadelphia	W. H. Avera, Hilliardston	8	5	40	30	..	50	..	..	..	.....	.....	7
Poplar Spring	Jno. Griffin, J. H. Cheves, Dr. J. Fowler, Louisburg	20	15	150	100	14	...	..	..	..	.....	.....	6
Wilson	...	4	...	30	....	..	...	..	..	..	.....	.....	....
Zion	T. J. Rooke, J. T. Lawrence, Scotland Neck,	13	8	75	50	8	200	25	..	..	$25 00	$25 00	....

No other church reported any Sabbath School Statistics.

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PROCEEDINGS.

PLEASANT GROVE, Nash Co., N. C.,
THURSDAY, October 4th, 1877.

The Tar River Baptist Association convened here to-day in its Forty-Seventh Annual Session.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather, the delegates were late arriving, and it was thought best to dispense with the Introductory Sermon, and the Association was opened by singing a hymn, and prayer, Elder W. J. Fulford, leading.

By request of the body, Bro. N. W. Boddie acted as Moderator, *pro tem*, and R. M. Johnson as Clerk, and Bro. J. M. Waddill Reading Clerk.

On motion, Brethren John Watson and J. P. Savage were appointed a Committee on Finance.

The roll of Churches was called and the following reported by Letters and Delegates:

1. *Antioch.*—Richard Parker, Wm. Parker.
2. *Bear Swamp.*—A. G. Wilcox, S. C. Heran, W. E. Bowers.
3. *Brown's.*—John Watson, J. W. Allen.
4. *Conoconary.*—James A. Pope, Dr. O. C. Stallings.
5. *Cypress Chapel.*—A. A. Sledge, M. R. Moore, A. C. Stallings.
6. *Corinth.*—P. J. Dement, J. P. Bledsoe.
7. *Cedar Rock.*—W. D. Coppedge, O. D. Burnett, Jessie Fulghum.
8. *Gardner's.*—James T. Duncan.
9. *Greenville.*—By letter.
10. *Henderson.*—Dr. J. S. Meadows, Charley Meadows.
11. *Hickory Chapel.*—B. F. Drake, Jno. T. Sexton, T. M. Ward.
12. *Louisburg.*—Rev. C. A. Jenkins, Rev. P. H. Pernell, C. M. Cooke.
13. *Littleton.*—Not represented.
14. *Maple Spring.*—R. R. Boone, Dr. W. C. Lankford, G. W. Webb.
15. *Mt. Zion.*—W. Cooper, W. Askew.
16. *Mt. Olivet*—Not represented.
17. *New Bethel.*—J. W. Duke, S. J. Mathews, R. H. Duke.
18. *New Hope.*—E. H. Vick, B. D. Rice.
19. *Peach Tree.*—J. T. Webb, M. Sykes, G. Rice.
20. *Philadelphia.*—K. P. Leonard, J. B. Bunting, A. C. Griffin.
21. *Pleasant Grove.*—N. W. Boddie, Z. Hinton, W. F. Hollingsworth.
22. *Poplar Spring.*—R. M. Freeman, John Griffin, R. Wright.
23. *Red Bud.*—T. S. Collins, John Collins, W. B. Harper.
24. *Reedy Creek.*—L. B. Ham, D. B. Ham, S. E. Lancaster.
25. *Red Oak.*—J. C. Beal, E. F. Barkley, E. C. Ellen.

26. *Rock Spring.*—W. D. Harris, J. J. Bobbitt, A. S. Cooke.
27. *Samaria.*—Burtis Cone, Wesley Privett, Thomas Wester.
28. *Sandy Creek.*—Parker Murphrey, J. G. Swanson, Reddin Bobbitt.
29. *Sharon.*—Not represented.
30. *Tarboro.*—Not represented.
31. *Warrenton.*—J. M. Waddill, Dr. C. A. Thomas, J. W. Williams.
32. *Wilson.*—Geo. W. Blount, J. B. Brewer.
33. *Zion.*—J. T. Lawrence, J. P. Savage, Dr. R. M. Johnson.
34. *Hawkins' Chapel* (colored).—Daniel Blacknall, Daniel Hawkins.
35. *Shiloh* (colored).—Handy Crudup, Essec Crudup.

The Church at Henderson petitioned for a letter of dismission from this Association, to join another of like faith and order, which was granted.

The following churches petitioned for the next Association: Antioch, Conoconary, Louisburg and Warrenton.

On motion of Elder Fulford, the Association was permanently organized by electing J. T. Webb, Moderator, and R. M. Johnson, Clerk and Treasurer.

Bro. Webb thanked the delegates for the honor conferred and hoped to have their assistance in the discharge of his duties as their presiding officer.

Invitations were given to visiting brethren and messengers from other Associations, and seats were accepted by N. B. Broughton, of the *Biblical Recorder;* and the following Ministers, who are *ex-officio* members of this Association: Elders W. J. Fulford, G. W. Newell, J. A. Mundy, J. A. Pitchford, P. H. Pernell, and G. W. Coppedge, Licentiate.

The Pastor and Deacons of Pleasant Grove Church were appointed a Committee on Religious exercises during the Association.

Elder J. A. Mundy, Elder G. W. Newell and Dr. J. S. Meadows were appointed a Committe of Arrangements.

Elder Newell moved that the evening be devoted to religious exercises. Motion withdrawn; and,

On motion of Elder Mundy, the query in the letter from Reedy Creek Church, "What shall be done with church members who are able and yet refuse to contribute anything to the expenses of the church?" was taken up and discussed by Elder W. J. Fulford, N. W. Boddie and Elder G. W. Newell.

The following was offered by Elder Newell:

Resolved, In answer to the query of the church at Reedy Creek, that a church member who is able but who does not contribute to the support of the Gospel, should,

1st. Be admonished of his duty by the church.

2d. Or, if this fails, dealt with for breach of the church covenant, and fellowship withdrawn from him.

On motion of Elder J. A. Pitchford the resolution was laid on the table until to-morrow.

The Committee on Arrangements reported as follows:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. The Association shall meet at 10 A. M., and adjourn at 1 P. M.; meet at 2 P. M., and adjourn at 4 P. M.
2. Appoint a Committee to select Ministers to preach Stated Sermons.
3. Appoint a Committee to nominate Standing Committees.
4. Read the report on Foreign Missions.
5. Read the Report on State Missions.
6. Read the report on Associational Missions.
7. Read the report on Ministerial Education.
8. Read the report on Periodicals.
9. Read the report on Sunday Schools.
10. Printing Minutes.
11. Report of Finance Committee.
12. Treasurer's Report.
13. Select Time and Place of next Association.
14. Miscellaneous Business.
15. Report of Committee on Stated Sermons.
16. Report of Committee on Standing Committees.
17. Appoint Delegates to Baptist State Convention.
18. Resolutions.
19. Report of Historian.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. MUNDY,
G. W. NEWELL,
J. S. MEADOWS,
Committee.

The report was adopted.

Adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock. Prayer, Elder Fulford leading.

FRIDAY MORNING, 10 O'clock.

Prayer by Elder Newell.

Minutes of yesterday read and corrected.

The Constitution and rules of Decorum were read.

The roll of churches was called and delegates not present yesterday reported.

The church at Antioch recommended a colored brother, Thos. Daniel, for ordination.

Elders J. A. Mundy, C. A. Jenkins and G. W. Newell were appointed a Committee to examine into the call and qualifications of the candidate for ordination.

Invitations were again extended and Elder J. R. Jones, of Central Association, and Elder E. F. Beacham and Rev.

Daniel Wester, Licentiate, ex-officio members of this Association, accepted seats.

Brethren J. P. Savage, John Griffin and Dr. C. A. Thomas were appointed a committee to select Ministers to preach Stated Sermons.

N. W. Boddie, Dr. W. C. Lankford and C. Demet were appointed a committee to nominate Standing Committees.

Report on Foreign Missions called for. On motion, was deferred until to-morrow.

Report on State Missions was called for and Elder P. H. Pernell submitted the following:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Dear Brethren: We believe that the Missionary wrok is one that should claim the attention of every true Baptist. We also believe that it is our duty to contribute of our means to send the Gospel to the Heathen. But let us first attend the wants of our own beloved State.

We are informed by the Croresponding Secretary of the State Mission Board that there are fifty destitute sections in North Carolina now calling for the Gospel; and shall we close our eyes to the calls of this people and keep them from the Bread of Life. The State Board at the commencement of this Conventional year was something over $500 in debt. It has during this year curtailed its expenses, rather than go any further in debt, and we think it was wise that they did so. But if every Baptist in the State would only give the small amount of 10 cents per head we could occupy every destitute nook and corner in the State. The Board is now at work at Salisbury, Statesville, Morganton, Dallas, Gastonia, Polkton and Rockingham as centres. It also has one missionary in Tyrrell county. Churches have been organized at important points, and the labors of the missionaries greatly blessed; and now as God has so greatly blessed the labors of what few missionaries we have in the field, we would recommend that every delegate belonging to this Association, on returning to their respective churches, request that the above amount be raised, so that every son and daughter of North Carolina may have an opportunity of hearing the Gospel in its purity.

Respectfully submitted,

P. H. PERNELL.

The report was received and discussed by Elders Pernell, Fulford and Newell.

On motion the report was adopted.

Report on Associational Missions was called for.

Elder N. A. Purefoy, the brother appointed to write this report, not being present, no report was offered.

The Moderator appointed Elder G. W. Newell and Bro. C. M. Cooke a Committee to write said report.

Report on Ministerial Education called for and read, as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Dear Brethren: It has been a question for some time, Shall we have an

educated Ministry? But this is not the question, for our ministers will be educated. Therefore the question is who shall educate them? Shall it be by their own unaided efforts, which will necessarily be labored, tedious and slow; or shall they have the aid of proficient instructors? Shall they be left to pick up a volume here and there, and at their spare moments, when not engaged in preaching, plowing or hoeing, and by their midnight lamp pore over its pages? Or shall they have the advantages afforded by our Colleges and Seminaries, where large and well selected libraries stand out invitingly and offer such rare opportunities to eager minds longing to grapple with the powers of learning? We answer, The proficient instructor and well selected library should be placed in the reach of every young minister, so that he may gather knowledge and be the better prepared to teach from God's sacred truth.

Now such opportunities are afforded at Wake Forest College, and also at the Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., where young brethren, and older ones also, may go, free of tuition charges, and be instructed in Theology. And this fact is calling loudly upon the brethren all through the land to aid in sending these brethren to these places that they may be the better fitted to teach the truth.

It is true the heart must be right before God, and every one who preaches should be well assured of a divine call; for without this all else is a failure so far as preaching the Gospel acceptably is concerned; but with the assurance before us that a brother is divinely called to the ministry, be sure that education is attended to before setting him apart to regular work; then we shall feel the better for it—having the consciousness that all has been done that is required at our hands.

It is true again that many without the above advantages, have done and are still doing good and efficient work; and this has been employed as an argument against an educated ministry. But we think it an argument it its favor, because these very men, if they had been educated, would have been of vast more benefit to the church than they have been without an education.

Therefore, brethren, let us see to it that we have an educated ministry, and especially see to it that, if they cannot have classical training, they at least shall have the benefit of a theological course.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. FULFORD.

The report was received and discussed at some length by Elder C. A. Jenkins, in his naturally pleasant style and eloquent language. He would say nothing to the disparagement of uneducated preachers; they have done and are still doing a great deal of good, and yet the greatest need of our denomination to-day is an educated ministry. Our people are becoming better educated and they require at the hands of the ministry a more efficient education than they have had in the past.

Bro. C. M. Cooke thought the churches sometimes make mistakes in recommending men to be educated by the Board and then hold the College responsible for the results; the Lord never calls a man to preach the Gospel who has not got common sense, nor can the College make a preacher of a man who is not called of God to the ministry.

The report was adopted.

Dr. W. C. Lankford stated that Bro. T. R. Walker had informed him that he declined remaining at Wake Forest on account of ill health.

Elder G. W. Newell, as chairman of the Committee on Beneficiaries, stated that they had had no meeting since last Association.

A petition from Cedar Rock Church (recently organized) was read, asking admission into, and membership with, this Association, with letter, and as delegates W. D. Coppedge, O. D. Burnett and Jessie Fulghum.

Elders Jenkins, Duke and Mundy were appointed a committee to examine the Articles of Faith, &c., as set forth in the Constitution adopted by this church.

Resolution is answer to Reedy Creek Church re-read and discussed by Bro. N. B. Broughton, suggesting a plan of system by appointing finance committees in each church, so that every member shall be seen and talked to personally with regard to his duty; such a system had been adopted in churches of his acquaintance, and had proved a success.

Bro. Daniel Wester said a question similar to this had been decided by this Association more than fifty years ago.

Resolution adopted.

Delegates from Sandy Creek and Hickory Chapel arrived.

Bro. Broughton announced that he was present to take subscriptions for the *Recorder*, and spoke of the 50 cent plan.

The committee appointed to investigate the orthodoxy of Cedar Rock Church submitted the following report:

We have examined the Declaration of Faith, the Articles of Faith and the Church Covenant as set forth in the Constitution adopted by the Cedar Rock Baptist Church, and have found them to be in accordance with the teaching of the Holy Scriptures. We cordially recommend, therefore, that the church be admitted into this Association.

C. A. JENKINS,
G. M. DUKE,
J. A. MUNDY,
Committee.

The report was adopted and the right hand of fellowship extended, welcoming the church to membership with this Association.

FRIDAY, 2 O'clock, P. M.

Report on Periodicals called for. No report.

On motion Bro. N. B. Broughton was invited to speak for

the *Recorder*, and in an earnest, forcible style (which is characteristic of the man), he set forth not only the claims of the *Recorder* upon the Baptist denomination in consideration of the vast amount of good it has been the instrument in accomplishing, but the fact that the *Recorder* furnishes as much valuable reading matter as can be obtained from any other source for the same amount of money.

Elder J. A. Mundy, Dr. W. C. Lankford, Bro. Daniel Wester and Bro. C. M. Cooke all spoke for the *Recorder*.

A letter from Wilson was received. Brethren Geo. W. Blount and J. B. Brewer, delegates.

The report on Associational Missions was called for and read as follows:

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Dear Brethren: There is much destitution of Baptist preaching within our bounds, and several important neighborhoods having no organized body of baptized believers, or any regular preaching in their midst.

We should feel under obligations to send the Gospel everywhere that it is not, and there can be no excuse for neglect of the work that is nearest our own doors. Therefore, with a view of beginning at once to do what we can towards meeting the claims that are upon us—

Resolved, That this Association do now adopt some one point within its bounds as a Mission Station at which we will try to supply monthly preaching during the ensuing year.

2. That Nashville be the point so adopted.

3. That the Moderator appoint a Committee of three brethren to secure, if possible the services of some brother to preach for them and report success to-morrow.

4. That the pastor so chosen shall receive as his compensation the funds sent up by the churches during the next year for Home Missions, and the amounts collected by nim on his field, provided these amounts do not exceed $100.

The Association, however, shall not hereby be pledged for any greater sum than the amounts so secured.

C. M. COOKE,
G. W. NEWELL,
Committee.

The report was received and discussed by Elders Pitchford and Fulford, and on motion lay on the table until to-morrow.

Adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock. Prayer by Elder Mundy.

SATURDAY MORNING, 10 O'clock.

After singing and prayer, Moderator Webb not having

yet arrived, Elder W. J. Fulford was made Moderator pro. tem.

Report on Associational Missions was called up. Remarks by Bro. C. M. Cooke and the Clerk.

Report adopted.

Delegates from Hawkins' Chapel granted leave of absence. Also New Bethel delegates.

Moderator Webb arrived.

Brethren J. T. Lawrence, J. W. Williams and W. D. Coppedge were appointed a committee to secure the services of a minister to preach at the Mission Station, Nashville.

With a view to employing a Missionary to labor within the bounds of this Association during the year 1879, pledges were secured to the amount of three hundred and seventy dollars, which are to be paid at the next session of this Association, so as to have this capital in hand to commence with.

The following are the parties and the amounts pledged:

Delegates from Louisburg,...	$30.00	Delegates from Corinth,.. ...	$10.00
Delegates from Warrenton,...	30.00	Delegates from New Bethel,.	5.00
Delegates from Zion,.....	30.00	Delegates from Cypress Chap.	5.00
Delegates from Peach Tree,..	30.00	Delegates from New Hope,..	5 00
Delegates from Wilson,.....	30.00	Delegates from Samaria,.....	5.00
Delegates from Bear Swamp,.	30.00	Delegates from Red Bud, ...	5.00
Delegates from Maple Spring,	20.00	Delegates from Sandy Creek,	5.00
Delegates from Philadelphia,.	15.00	Delegates from Hickory, ...	10.00
Delegates from Conoconary, .	10.00	John Watson,.....	30.00
Delegates from Poplar Spring	10.00	W. D. Coppedge,.....	5.00
Delegates from Mt. Zion,....	10.00	J. A. Waddill,.....	5.00
Delegates from Red Oak,....	10.00	Dr. J. S. Meadows,..	5.00
Delegates from Rock Spring,.	10.00		
Delegates from Pleas'nt Grove	10.00	Total,.....	$370.00

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," is the language of our Lord, and is just as binding on us to-day as it was in the Apostles' day. For how shall they, the heathen, believe on him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall he preach except he be sent?

The Lord has in mercy blessed those Missionaries who are preaching in heathen lands, and crowned their efforts with success, for which we should thank God and take courage. The Missionaries in China have recently held a Convention; from their proceedings we learn the great destitution in China, and the great need of more men, in view of which we recommend that this Association observe the day (set apart by that Convention) in prayer for Missions.

We are taught by the Saviour to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send forth more laborers into the harvest, and He will do it. Again, He teaches that if we, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto our children, how much more shall our Father in Heaven give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him. May the Lord give us not only the Spirit to pray that all men

may learn with us to love the blessed Saviour, but to give of our substance as he has prospered us, remembering that it is more blessed to give than to receive.

G. M. DUKE, *Com.*

The report was received. Remarks by Elder Duke and Elder J. R. Jones. Adopted.

Elder Jas. S. Purefoy, of Wake Forest College, arrived, and, on invitation, accepted a seat. Also, Bro. A. C. Griffin accepted a seat.

The Association arose to hear the Denominational Sermon at the stand by Elder G. M. Duke.

SATURDAY, 2 O'clock, P. M.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Dear Brethren : There is no subject of greater interest to my mind than that of the Sabbath School. And I am happy to say that its interest is steadily increasing, and those who once felt no interest in Sabbath School work are now earnestly engaged in pushing forward the Sabbath School cause. And when we reflect for a moment we are astonished that all are not heartily engaged in the work, both old and young; for I see no reason why there is not a Sabbath School in every community. It is scarcely necessary for me to speak of the advantages of a Sabbath School in every community—every one may see for himself if he will but pause and examine; and he will find that where the Sabbath was once desecrated it is now hallowed, where children were ignorant and disorderly now their minds are being enlightened, and their deportment orderly, and, more than all, we trust that in many instances where the heart was hard and callous, it has been softened and made susceptible to God's holy truth.

Much more could be said in this connection, but why multiply words upon a subject that *experience* will teach to every one who will go to work earnestly.

Therefore, we would recommend that every church in the bounds of our Association, do all that is expedient to push forward the Sabbath School work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. WEBB.

No remarks. The report was adopted.

The Clerk was instructed to have 1,200 copies of the minutes printed, and to receive for his labor the usual compensation. Also to have 100 Church Letter blanks printed and distribute them to the churches with the minutes.

The Association earnestly requests that each Church Clerk will use said blanks in writing their letters, so that full statistics may be given.

The Clerk was instructed to pay the present indebtedness on account of our beneficiary with the funds now in the treasury, together with the amounts sent up at this session of the Association for that purpose.

Elder Pitchford offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a certain statistical table, prepared by the former Clerk of this Association be appended to the minutes of this session.

The time and place for holding the next session of the Association was taken up, and after a pleasant discussion and rivalry the vote was unanimous for Conoconary in Halifax county as the place, and Thursday before the 2d Sunday in October, 1878, as the time.

The delegates from Conoconary extended a hearty welcome to the brethren.

Elder J. S. Purefoy asked to have a form of bequest to Wake Forest College inserted in the minutes of the Association. Granted.

RESOLUTION ON OBITUARIES.

WHEREAS, Through a sad dispensation of Providence our beloved brother, Elder Thomas Wilcox, has been called from labor on earth since our last meeting, therefore

Resolved, That we ask that Elder T. R. Owen and Bro. John Watson be appointed a committee to prepare a suitable obituary notice of our deceased brother for the next Association; and that this resolution be inserted in the minutes of the present session of this body.

W. C. LANKFORD.

Adopted.

REPORT OF PRESBYTERY APPOINTED TO EXAMINE THE CANDIDATE FOR ORDINATION.

Your Committee, appointed to examine into the call and qualification of Bro. Thomas Daniel to the Gospel Ministry, would report, That we have examined him and found him qualified for that high position. We would recommend most heartily his ordination.

J. A. MUNDY, *Ch'm'n.*
G. W. NEWELL,
C. A. JENKINS.

Adopted.

The ordination was announced to take place at the stand to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ENDOWMENT OF W. F. COLLEGE.

Your Committee to aid and encourage the work of endowing Wake Forest College is pleased that Elder J. S. Purefoy, the agent, has been laboring some within our bounds and has succeeded in securing in subscriptions about $1,000.

Elder Purefoy is now in our midst and expects to visit all the churches with a view of securing the $5,000 recommended by the last Association, and we recommend him and his work to the kind co-operation of the brethren.

JNO. WATSON, *Ch'm'n.*

Report adopted.

The following resolution was received and adopted:

Resolved, That the following brethren be reappointed a Committee to aid and encourage the Agent of W. F. College in the work of the endowment, and that they report to the next Association: Jno. Watson, Dr. W. C. Lankford, J. J. Rodwell, W. H. Avera, E. P. Powell, Jas. Battle, G. W. Blount, J. T. Webb and P. J. Dement.

The Treasurer reported, which report was found correct and adopted:

Received at Henderson for Minute Fund,		$ 62 85
" " " " Foreign Missions,		36 81
" " " " State Missions,		22 16
" " " " Associational Missions,		10 50
" " " " Sunday Schools,		3 00
" " " " Education,		15 95
Remaining in Treasury last year,		49 88
Received of Maple Spring Church for T. R. Walker,		19 00
" " Zion " " "		7 00
" " Red Oak " " "		7 50
" " Peach Tree " " "		1 15
" " Pleasant Grove " " "		1 10
State Missions of Mt. Zion transferred to Beneficiary,		5 20
For advertising last year in minutes,		7 00
Total,		$ 249 10

Disbursements:

Paid Edwards, Broughton & Co., for Printing Minutes,	$ 45 00	
" John G. Williams for Foreign Missions,	36 81	
" " " " State "	22 16	
" " " " Sunday Schools,	3 00	
" Prof. Royall for Beneficiary,	55 75	
" Prof. Simmons for Bro. Cooke, former Beneficiary,	4 00	
" " " " present Beneficiary,	5 02	
Postage, Freight, P. O. Orders and paper,	8 00	
Clerk's fee,	15 00	
Transferring Minutes in Record Book,	1 15	
Total,		$ 195 89
Remaining in Treasury,		$ 53 21

Respectfully submitted,
W. C. LANKFORD, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE STANDING COMMITTEES.

To write on Foreign Missions.—Elder E. F. Beacham.
To write on Associational Missions.—C. M Cooke.
To write on State Missions.—Elder C. A. Jenkins.
To write on Ministerial Education.—Elder J. A. Mundy.
To write on Periodicals.—A. D. Ellis.
To write on Sunday Schools.—J. T. Lawrence.

P. J. DEMENT,
N. W. BODDIE,
W. C. LANKFORD,
Committee.

Adopted.

Report of Finance Committee received :

The Finance Committee beg leave to submit the following report of funds received by us from the various churches, which funds have been handed to the Treasurer :

For Minute Fund,	$60 42
For Foreign Missions,	19 15
For State Missions,	14 84
For Home (Associational) Missions,	31 18
For Sabbath Schools	3 00
For Education,	16 85
For Beneficiary,	20 70
Total,	$166 14

JNO. WATSON,
J. P. SAVAGE, *Com.*

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATED SERMONS.

To preach Introductory Sermon at next Association.—Elder W. J. Fulford; Alternate, Elder E. F. Beacham.

Denominational Sermon.—Elder C. A. Jenkins; Alternate, Elder G. W. Newell.

Conventional Sermon.—Elder J. A. Mundy; Alternate, G. M. Duke.

J. P. SAVAGE,
C. A. THOMAS,
JNO. GRIFFIN,
Committee.

Report adopted.

Elder Newell offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That we return our sincere thanks to Pleasant Grove Church, and to the citizens of the vicinity, for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained the members of this Association.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO SELECT A PREACHER FOR THE MISSION STATION AT NASHVILLE.

Dear Brethren : We have secured the services of Elder W. J. Fulford to preach at that point for the next twelve months, on the 4th Sabbath and Saturday before, on the terms set forth in the resolution adopting this station.

J. T. LAWRENCE,
W. D. COPPEDGE,
J. W. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

Adopted.

The Clerk suggested a Sabbath School Mass Meeting tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock.

Bro. Cook moved that said mass-meeting be conducted by Bro. N. B. Broughton. Adopted.

Bro. Broughton announced the following subjects and speakers:

"How to keep up a Sunday School in the country."—C. M. Cooke.
"Benefit of Sunday Schools to the Churches."—Elder G. M. Duke.
"What to teach in Sunday School."—Elder C. A. Jenkins.
"Who can teach in Sunday School."—Prof. J. B. Brewer.

The Clerk was instructed to procure advertisements and have printed with the minutes.

The following brethren were appointed delegates to the Baptist State Convention: Elder J. A. Mundy, Elder C. A. Jenkins, Elder W. J. Fulford, Elder G. M. Duke, Elder T. R. Owen, Elder G. W. Newell, John Griffin, G. W. Blount, J. W. Williams, C. M. Cooke, John Watson, Dr. C. A. Thomas, Jno. M. Waddill, Rev. Daniel Wester, Noah Biggs, Dr. J. S. Meadows and J. T. Webb.

Elder J. A. Mundy was appointed to preach the Conventional Sermon to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

The minutes were read, amended and adopted.

Adjourned to meet at Conoconary, in Halifax county, Thursday before the 2d Sunday in October, 1878. Prayer by Elder Duke.

J. T. WEBB, Moderator.

R. M. Johnson, *Clerk.*

SERVICES.

At the stand, Friday morning 11 o'clock, by Elder J. A Mundy. Text, I Tim. 6th chap. 12th verse: "Lay hold on eternal life."

Friday evening, 2½ o'clock, by Elder J. R. Jones. Text, Rom. 8th chap. 10th verse: "And if Christ be in you the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness."

Saturday, 11 o'clock, by Elder G. M. Duke. Text, I Cor. 11th chap. 24th verse: "This do in remembrance of me."

Saturday, 2½ o'clock P. M., by Elder C. A. Jenkins. Text, I Kings 2d chap. 2d verse: "Show thyself a man."

Sunday morning, 11 o'clock, by Elder J. A. Mundy. Text, Rom. 10th chap. 14th and part of 15th verse: "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe on him of whom they have not

heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? and how shall they preach except they be sent."

A collection was taken amounting to $20.00.

Sunday evening preaching at the stand by Elder E. F Beacham.

The Ordination of Rev. Thomas Daniel, colored, at the stand, and Sunday School Mass Meeting in the house, was conducted according to previous appointment.

FORM OF BEQUEST TO WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

I give and bequeath to the Trustees of Wake Forest College,.....

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for the use and benefit of said College.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Counties	Pastor and his P. O.	Clerk and his P. O.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Addition			Dim't'n			White Males.	White Females.	Total Whites.	Colored.	Total.
					Baptism.	Letter.	Restoration.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.					
Antioch,.....	Halifax,..	J A Pitchford, Warrenton	H. A. Sledge, Brinkleyville	1	10	..	..	1	2	1	22	62	84	2	86
Bear Swamp,...	Halifax,..	N. A. Purefoy, "	J. H Connell, Brinkleyville	4	1	..	..	2	...	1	7	22	29	31	60
Brown's,.....	Warren,..	" " "	John Watson, Warrenton,	2	1	..	..	2	1	1	14	47	61	128	189
Conoconary,..	Halifax,..	T. R. Owen, Tarboro,...	E P Powel, Daws'nsXR'ds	3	33	4	..	...	5	2	....	...		...	62
Cypress Chapel,	Franklin,	W. J. Fulford, Nashville,	J. C. Moore, Castalia,....	4	...	9	..	..	..	..	12	34	46	8	54
Corinth,'... ...	Franklin,	E F Beacham. Franklint'n	A. D. Ellis.....	3	2	2	..	4	..	1	29	59	88	....	88
Cedar Rock,....	Franklin,	G. W. Newell, Louisburg	J A Coppedge, Cedar R'k	1	...	..	..	..	..	..	12	11	23	...	23
Gardner's.....	Warren,..	N. A. Purefoy, Warrent'n	J W Shearin, Macon depot	1	...	..	..	..	2	2	20	53	73	...	73
Greenville,.....	Pitt,.	Thos. Carrick, Greenville,	J. R. Rouse, Greenville,.	1.3.4	...	1	..	2	..	..	8	50	58	...	58
Henderson.. . .	Gr'nville,	R. H. Marsh, Oxford,....	W. D. Horner,.....	5	...	4	..	..	..	..	13	16	29	. .	29
Hickory Chapel	Nash, ...	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	B. F. Drake. Battleboro,.	3	1	3	..	1	9	1	13	40	71	...	71
Louisburg,. ...	Franklin,	C. A. Jenkins,.....	C. M. Cooke, Louisburg,.	1, 3,	...	10	..	1	..	1	...	....	29	...	29
Littleton.....	....	Not represented.....	... ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Maple Spring,..	Franklin,	E F Beacham, Franklint'n	W. C. Lankford, Louisb'g	4	...	1	1	21	..	..	31	66	97	23	120
Mt. Olivet.....	Franklin,	Not represented, ...	... .	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	....	...	....
Mt. Zion,. ...	Franklin,	.. ..	A. J. Carr, Laurel,.....	1	2	2	..	..	..	1	25	60	85	...	85
New Bethel,...	Warren,..	M. R. Pernell, Franklint'n	E. W. Green, Louisburg,.	1	29	..	..	..	..	..	44	53	97	...	97
New Hope....	Nash,...	P. H. Pernell, Louisburg,	Charles Winstead,..	4	...	..	..	..	..	..	8	5	13	..	13
Peach Tree. ...	Nash,....	W. J. Fulford, Nashville,	H M Warren, Spring Hope	1	18	1	1	11	7	2	....	.....	265	53	318
Philadelphia,...	Nash,. .	G. M Duke, Hilliardston,	J V Bunting, Hilliardston	4	26	1	..	..	2	..	51	53	104	2	106
Pleasant Grove.	Nash,....	P H. Pernell, Louisburg,	A. S. Baines, Nashville,..	3	...	3	1	..	..	..	32	63	95	7	102
Poplar Spring,.	Franklin,	A F Purefoy, Wake For'st	J. H. Cheaves. Louisburg	3	17	..	3	3	..	..	58	160	218	35	253
Red Bud,.. . .	Franklin,	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	Sam'l Harper, Castalia,..	2	15	2	1	4	,	3	57	122	179	3	182

STATISTICAL TABLE.—*Continued.*

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Red Oak,.....	Nash,....	W. J. Fulford, Nashville,	E T Barkley, Rocky Mt..	3	2	..	1	.	1	2	....	....	....	...	67
Reedy Creek,...	Warren,.,	J A Pitchford, Warrenton	T J Pitchf'rd sr, Warr'nt'n	2	...	1	.	..	1	..	53	98	151	19	170
Rock Spring,...	Franklin,	W. C. Nowell, Earpsboro	J. H. Odum, Louisburg,.	2	...	3	...	..	1	..	27	38	65	...	65
Samaria,.....	Nash,....	" " "	Wesley Privett, Stanhope,	4	2	..	..	..	2	..	23	56	79	2	81
Sandy Creek,...	Franklin,	N. A. Purefoy, Warrenton	N. Davis, Cedar Rock,...	3	2	..	..	6	4	3	..	..	137	3	140
Sharon,.....	Warren,..	Not represented,.....	.....	....	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	...	...
Tarboro,.....	.....	Not represented, ...	.....	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	....	...	....
Warrenton. ..	Warren,,	J. A. Mundy, Warrenton,	J. M Waddill, Warrenton	evry	3	..	..	..	..	..	36	66	102	...	102
Wilson,.....	Wilson,..	T. R. Owen, Tarboro,...	D. S. Hardy, Wilson,....	....	...	..	...	1	..	..	13	16	29	...	29
Zion,.....	Halifax...	T J Rooke, Scotland Neck	B D Webb, Scotland N'k	1, 3.	1	6	..	2	..	..	33	45	78	...	78
Hawkins' Ch'p'l	Franklin,	Jefferson Burwell,	Geo. Pew,...	3	24	3	...	..	..	3	....	...	....	101	101
Shiloh, (col)...	Granville,	Jefferson Burwell,	Handy Crudup, Kittrell's,	4	109	6	..	..	..	4	...	.	...	455	455
					298				38	27	641	1295	2256	872	3322

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE YEAR.							PRESENT CONTRIBUTIONS						TOTAL.
	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	Sunday School Board.	Pastor's Salary	Church Expenses.	Other Objects.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	Association Missions.	Associational Fund	Other Objects.	
Antioch,												2 55		2 00
Bear Swamp,									4 00	4 70	9 63	2 00		20 33
Brown's,												2 00		2 00
Conoconary,												2 50		2 50
Cypress Chapel					50 00			60		50		1 00		52 10
Corinth,										6 00		2 00		8 00
Cedar Rock												1 50		1 50
Gardner's,			2 00		100 00		95 00					1 50		198 50
Greenville,	9 00				500 00	65 00						2 00		576 00
Henderson,		2 50	14 50	12 30	150 00	53 55		8 00	2 00	9 00	1 00	1 50		254 35
Hickory									70			1 50		2 20
Louisburg,								2 00		4 00		2 00		8 00
Littleton,														
Maple Spring,			19 00		150 00			2 39	1 00	3 00		3 00		168 39
Mt. Olivet,														
Mt. Zion,	1 00	2 00	2 00				136 00	5 00	3 50	1 00	2 00	1 50		154 00
New Bethel					75 00	23 18	40 00					2 00		140 18
New Hope,												1 00		1 00
Peach Tree,										3 50		2 50		6 00
Philadelphia,											2 45	2 00		4 45
Pleasant Grove,											2 20	2 00		4 20
Poplar Spring,									5 00		5 00	2 00		12 00

FINANCIAL TABLE---*Continued.*

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Red Bud	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 2 00	$	$ 3 00	$ 2 00	$	$ 7 00
Red Oak								50		2 50		2 00		5 00
Reedy Creek												2 45		2 45
Rock Spring									1 65		1 65	1 25		4 55
Samaria												1 00		1 00
Sandy Creek												1 50		1 50
Sharon														
Tarboro'														
Warrenton	22 00	24 00		8 00	900 00	125 00	50 00					3 00		1,132 00
Wilson				2 00					2 50	4 25	4 70	1 00		14 45
Zion			7 00	5 00	350 00	50 00	45 00					2 50		560 00
Hawkin's Chapel												2 50		2 50
Shiloh												3 00		3 00
														$ 3,261 05

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENT & HIS POST OFFICE	Officers & teach'rs.	Average attend'ce.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Conversions.	Volumes in Library.	No. Kind W'ds tkn	Other Papers.	C'ntributi'ns for year			No. Months School kept open.
										S. School Board.	Other Objects.	Total.	
Cypress Chapel,	J. W. Moody, Louisburg,	3	3	46	30	15				$			10
Corinth				30	20								
Cedar Rock,	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock,	8		45									
Greenville,	Thos. Carrick, Greenville,	8		56			500	40					12
Gardner's	John H. Nicholson. Macon Depot,	10	7	44	25	1	50			8 80	$ 8 32	$17 12	8
Henderson,	F. M. Meadows, Henderson,	7			40			12					
Mt. Zion,	F. Beal, Laurel,	4	3	40	31	4							
Maple Spring,	Dr W. C Lankford. Louisburg,	5	5	12									6
New Bethel,	Wm Dickie,	6	4	50	30	8	30				13 00	13 00	4
Peach Tree,	J. T. Webb, Nashville,			50									
Red Bud,	D. R. Pearce, Castalia,	10	8	58	35	4	70		1				5
Rock Spring,	A. J. Underhill, Louisburg,	10	7	45	25		40						6
Samaria	Burtis Strickland, Wakefield	20		120									
Sandy Creek,	J. H. Gupton, Laurel,	8		56	35								
Warrenton,	Wm. A. White, Warrenton,	13		50	55		500	23	10				12
Zion, (4 schools,)	T. J. Rooke. Scotland Neck,	46	25	311	225		125	30		5 00	75 00	80 00	12
Hawkins' Chapel, (col.)				35									
Shiloh, (col'd),	Alfred Crudup	4		50									

No other Sabbath School Statistics reported.

HISTORICAL TABLE OF TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION.—Prepared by W. C. Lankford.

Annual Session.	Where Held.	Moderator.	Clerk.	Preacher of Introductory Sermon.	Text.	Number of Churches.	Membership.	Contributions.
1—1831	Sandy Creek,	James Sutherland,	Thomas Crocker,	Philemon Bennett,	Mal 3: 16, 17, 18,	14	935	$ 27 00
2—1832	Maple Spring,	" "	" "	" "	1 Tim. 4: 16,	16	1,338	24 50
3—1833	Hickory Chapel,	" "	" "	Thomas Crocker,	John 17: 3,	18	1,457	25 55
4—1834	Allen's,	J. J. Finch,	S Sutherland,	" "	2 Cor. 13: 5,	18	1,216	20 65
5—1835	Red Bud	Jones Cooke,	Thomas Crocker,	" "	2 Tim. 3: 16, 17,	16	1,228	22 25
6—1836	Shiloh	" "	" "	James Delk,	2 Tim. 4: 2,	16	986	18 00
7—1837	Peach Tree	" "	" "	Amos J Battle,	2 Cor. 11: 28,	16	1,083	40 22
8—1838	Reedy Creek,	" "	" "	James Delk,	Heb. 13: 1,	14	474	19 47
9—1839	Flat Rock,	" "	Dr T J Pitchford	Thomas Wilcox,	Isaiah, 28: 16, 17.	15	1,061	24 25
10—1840	Bear Swamp	" "	" "	Thomas Crocker,	1 Tim 3: 8, 9,	15	1,321	28 50
11—1841	Louisburg,	" "	" "	W. Hudgins,	2 Cor. 2: 16,	16	1,413	26 68
12—1842	Gardner's	Jordan Denson,	" "	Thos Wilcox,	2 Tim. 4: 2,	16	1,398	23 50
13—1843	Poplar Spring,	" "	" "	W. Hudgins,	Phil. 2: 14,	16	1,649	24 00
14—1844	Brown's,	Jones Cooke,	" "	Thos. Wilcox,	1 Cor. 9: 14,	16	1,302	23 22
15—1845	Maple Spring,	W. Hudgins,	W. D. Webb,	James J. Sledge,	Romans 8: 33,	18	2,074	28 65
*16—1846	Sandy Creek,	H. S Spivey,	" "	J. B. Solomon,	2 Tim. 4: 2,	18	1,975	27 80
†17—1847	Enon,	Dr. T. J. Pitchford	" "	Thos. Wilcox,	Mal. 1: 20,	19	2,120	24 50
18—1848	Hickory Chapel,	G. W. Powell,	" "	P. H. Smith,	John 8: 32,	19	1,847	20 35
19—1840	Haywood's	Dr T. J. Pitchford	P. H. Smith,	P. D. Pearce,	Is. 53; 7,	19	1,888	21 80
20—1850	Red Bud	" "	" "	P. H. Smith,	2 Cor. 6: 3,	20	1,297	17 25
21—1851	Warrenton,	" "	" "	R. I. Devin,	Is. 3: 10,	21	1,642	20 50
22—1852	Flat Rock,	" "	" "	Thos. Wilcox.,	Heb. 12; 25,	21	1,798	119 75
23—1853	Peach Tree,	" "	" "	J. K. White,	Ex. 16: 15,	19	1,984	28 03
24—1854	Reedy Creek	" "	" "	N. A. Purefoy,	1 Cor. 1: 10,	19	2,062	28 75

25—1855	Perry's Chapel,....	Dr. T. J. Pitchford	G. M. L. Finch,.	P. H. Smith,.	Heb. 13: 1,.....	19	2,240	28	25
26—1856	Salem,.....	" "	" "	N. A. Purefoy,....	Jude 3v,.....	20	2,276	80	25
27—1857	Gardner's.....	" "	" "	G. M. L. Finch,...	Matt. 5: 14,.....	20	.....	112	60
28—1858	Poplar Spring,....	" "	" "	N. A. Purefoy. ..	Jer. 8: 22,.....	23	2,421	108	85
29—1859	Sharon,...	" "	" "	G M. L Finch,...	Rom 1: 16,.....	24	2,470	313	81
30—1860	Franklinton,.. ...	" "	" "	J. S. Walthall,....	1 John 3: 3,....	26	2,528	127	10
31—1861	Maple Spring,. ..	A. G. Jones,.....	" "	J. G. Barkley,.....	Mark 16: 15, 16,.	24	2,426	72	50
32—1862	Brown's,.....	Dr. T. J. Pitchford	" "	R. W. Delbridge,..	1 Peter 1: 8,.....	24	2,229	164	00
33—1863	Red Bud,.....	N. A. Purefoy,...	H. Petty,... ..	H. Petty,....	John 9: 4,.....	25	2,205	440	10
34—1864	.....	....	.. ..	....	....	....	.. ...	.....	
35—1865	Hickory Chapel,...	John Watson,.....	L. M. Conyers....	J. G Barkley,.....	John 16: 15,....	25	2,540	44	75
36—1866	Bear Swamp,.....	Dr. T. J. Pitchford	" "	Thos. Wilcox,.....	Romans 8:.....	23	2,795	77	10
37—1867	Cypress Chapel,...	" "	" "	R. W. Delbridge,..	1 Cor. 9: 16,.....	23	2,991	58	70
38—1868	Red Oak,.....	" "	" "	N. A. Purefoy,....	Heb. 13: 1,.....	25	2,587	69	05
39—1869	Sharon,...	" "	" "	G. M. Duke.....	2 Peter 3: 18,....	27	2,948	102	90
40—1870	Poplar Spring,....	N. A. Purefoy,....	J. A. Pitchford,.	N. A Purefoy,....	John 8: 8,.....	27	2,963	119	40
41—1871	Haywood's.....	Dr. T. J. Pitchford	M. Lankford,....	" "	Matt. 5: 14....	28	2,958	183	52
42—1872	Sandy Creek,.....	" "	" "	Thos. Wilcox,.....	Rom. 8: 35,.....	27	2,941	191	25
43—1873	Wilson,.....	" "	Dr W C Lankford	C. T. Bailey,.....	Gal. 6: 14,.....	31	2,906	150	71
44—1874	Philadelphia,.....	" "	" "	G. W. Newell,...	Prov. 4: 18,.....	34	3,072	212	32
45—1875	Reedy Creek,.....	" "	" "	T. J. Rooke,.....	Matt. 16: 24,....	34	2,852	235	45
46—1876	Henderson,.... ..	" "	" "	G. M. Duke,.....	Ps. 133: 1,.....	34	3,121	156	27
47—1877	Pleasant Grove,...	J. T. Webb,.... ..	Dr R M Johnson,	....	.....	34	3,264	171	14

*First collection taken for Baptist State Convention.

†First report on Missions, &c.

Prof. L. R. Wilcox
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PROCEEDINGS.

CONOCONARY, HALIFAX CO., N. C.,
THURSDAY, October 10th, 1878.

The Tar River Baptist Association convened here to-day in its Forty-eighth Annual Session.

After prayer by Elder Barkley, the Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder W. J. Fulford. Text: Matthew 12th chapter and 30th verse.

After an intermission of an hour and a half, during which time the delegates and visitors partook of a bountiful dinner, the body came together and was called to order by the Moderator, J. T. Webb, and after prayer by Elder Pittman, the Moderator announced that the body was ready for business. Elder Pitchford was appointed reading clerk.

The roll of churches was called and the following churches reported by letter and delegates:

Antioch- J. J. Partin, G. G. Arrington, Robert B. Taylor.
Bear Swamp—A. G. Willcox, W. E. Bowers.
Brown's—J. W. Allen, J. A. Tunstill.
Conoconary—J. R. Pope, Jas. Tillery, J. B. Spiers.
Cypress Chapel—A. A. Sledge.
Corinth—E. E. Allen, Thos. S. Connell.
Cedar Rock—J. A. Coppedge, W. T. Dean, W. B. Coppedge.
Gardner's--J. H. Nicholson, J. H. Shearin.
Greenville—Not represented.
Hickory Chapel—B. F. Drake, J. M. Sexton, W S. Dozier.
Louisburg—C. M. Cooke, V. B. Clifton.
Littleton—W. S. Bobbitt, Jesse Carter.
Maple Spring—J. M. Stallings, R. R. Boon, W. C. Lankford.
Mt. Zion—Wm. Cooper, Geo. H. Cooper.
Mt. Olivet—D. Tharrington.
New Bethel—Samuel J. Matthews.
New Hope—B. D. Rice, Sidney Carter.
Peach Tree—J. T. Webb, H. M. Lee, Wiley Strickland.
Philadelphia—S. A. Ward, J. S. Beal.
Pleasant Grove—Elijah Coggin, Gideon Coggin, A. S. Bain.
Poplar Springs—By letter.
Red Bud—R. D. Harper, S. R Pearce.
Reedy Creek—Thos. J. Pitchford, Matt. T. Duke, M. C. Duke.
Red Oak—J. G. Barkley, John Beal, Thad. Cooley.
Rock Spring—W. D. Harriss, A. J. Underhill.
Samaria—Burtis Cone.
Sandy Creek—J. M. Gupton.
Sharon—Letter.
Tarboro—J. L. Battle.
Warrenton—J. R. Johnson.
Wilson—J. B. Brewer.

Zion—W. P. Whitaker, Noah Biggs, J. A. Perry.
Hawkins' Chapel, (col)—Peter Perry.
Shiloh (col.)—Wiley Davis, Handy Crudup, Lewis Hawkins.

Ministers present, members of the Association: J. A. Pitchford, W. J. Fulford, G. W. Newell, G. M. Duke, J. D. Hufham, J. G. Barkley, A. McA. Pittman, R. T. Vann.

Licentiates present: R. D. Harper, G. W. Coppedge and Daniel Wester.

The Association went into permanent organization by re-electing J. T. Webb Moderator, and A. G. Willcox Clerk and Treasurer.

An invitation being extended to visiting brethren, was accepted by Rev. Jas. S. Purefoy, agent Wake Forest College and messenger from the Central Association, and N. B. Broughton, of the *Biblical Recorder*, and messenger from the Raleigh Association, Rev. C. L. Powell, from Cape Fear Association.

Brother Lankford called attention to the many accessions we had had to the churches composing this body, (exceeding he thought five hundred) and suggested prayer and thanksgiving to God; and

The Moderator called upon Bro. D. T. Powell, who led in prayer.

Letters from Hamilton and Pine Forest churches were received asking for admission into our body.

On motion of Elder Pitchford, a committee was appointed to inquire into the church covenant and articles of faith of said churches.

The Moderator appointed Elders Newell, Hufham and W. J. Fulford, as said committee.

On motion of Elder Pitchford, the Pastor and Deacons of Conoconary church were appointed a committee on Religious Exercises during the Association.

Bro. Hufham, chairman of committee to inquire into the covenant and articles of faith of Hamilton and Pine Forest churches, reported the covenant and articles of faith not on hand, but stated he was present at constitution of said churches, and were strictly in accordance with Baptist usages.

On motion of Elder Barkley, the report was adopted.

The Moderator appointed Revs. G. M. Duke, J. G. Barkley and R. R. Boon, committee on Order of Business, who reported as follows:

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. The Association shall meet at half past nine, A. M., and adjourn at one, P. M. Meet at two and adjourn at will.
2. Appoint a committee to select ministers to preach stated sermons.
3. Appoint a committee to nominate standing committees.
4. Read report on Foreign Missions.
5. Read the report on State Missions.
6. Read the report on Associational Missions.
7. Read the report on Ministerial Education.
8. Read the report on Periodicals.
9. Read the report on Sunday Schools.
10. Printing Minutes.
11. Report of Finance Committee.
12. Treasurer's report.
13. Select Time and Place of next Association.
14. Miscellaneous business.
15. Report of committee on Stated Sermons.
16. Report of committee on Standing Committees.
17. Appoint delegates to Baptist State Convention.
18. Resolutions.
19. Report of Historian.

Respectfully submitted,

G. M. DUKE,
J. G. BARKLEY,
R. R. BOON,
Committee.

Report was adopted.

Adjourned until to-morrow half past nine o'clock.

Prayer by Elder Jas. S. Purefoy.

At night Rev. G. M. Duke preached an earnest and impressive sermon from Matt. 14th chapter, 12th verse: "And they went and told Jesus."

FRIDAY MORNING, Oct. 11th, 1878.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Prayer by Elder Hufham.

Minutes of yesterday read and corrected.

Roll of churches was again called, and delegates not present on yesterday reported and names enrolled.

Invitations were again extended to visiting brethren from sister Associations, and was accepted by Elder Wingate, from Central Association, and as representative of Education Board, Wake Forest College, and Rev. A. McDowell, from Chowan Association, Bro. F. M. Dennis, of Beulah Association, and Rev. E. W. Knight, of Eastern Association.

The Moderator appointed the following committee to select ministers to preach stated sermons: J. R. Johnson, Bryant Rice and W. C. Lankford.

The Moderator also appointed the following committee to nominate standing committees: J. D. Hufham, M. T. Duke and Burtis Cone.

Report on Foreign Missions was called. No report.

On motion of Rev. J. A. Pitchford, Elder Hufham was appointed to prepare a report. Motion adopted.

On motion of Rev. G. M. Duke, the Missionary's report was read, as follows:

BRETHREN:—Your Missionary at Nashville begs leave to submit the following report, to-wit: During the past Associational year I have preached statedly in the field assigned, on the fourth Sunday in each month at 11 o'clock, and at night, unless providentially hindered by sickness or bad weather.

I found the field in a wasted and deplorable condition, so much so that it was with many misgivings that I entered upon the task assigned.

There is but one house of worship in the place, and that a Methodist one, at which they have preaching once a month. I occupied the Court House, and while I received a cordial and hearty reception, yet I found a great lack in desire to hear the *gospel*. It seemed the people were given up to other pursuits so much, and there had been so little *gospel* preaching in their midst, they had lost all interest in sacred things. But, with the blessings of God, a strong, attentive and appreciative congregation has been built up, and the prospect is more hopeful in the future than it has been in the past.

I found in Nashville only six Baptists, three brethren and three sisters, but the popular sentiment is baptistic, and the prospect now is, that after the Association there will be a meeting of several day's duration, and we hope the harvest will be ripe for the gathering.

It has been our purpose to constitute a church in Nashville, but it has been delayed for good reasons, not necessary to be incorporated in this report; but the trouble being about removed, we look forward to the consummation of our desires. Also the building of a house of worship is under consideration, but I am sorry to say but little has been done in this direction, but still we are hopeful, and believe that by the exercise of a little patience, and a great deal of perseverance and self-denial, the work will be accomplished.

We have raised on the field for this year's services, the sum of $25.00 in cash and pledges. This people will again appreciate the notice of the Association and welcome its servant to their midst.

Dear brethren, do let the work go on at Nashville, and whoever you may deem proper to put in the mission field, let Nashville be incorporated therein. Respectfully,

WM. J. FULFORD.

After the reading, Rev. W. J. Fulford, the Missionary, gave an interesting account of his labors at Nashville, with an encouraging outlook for the future.

Bro. Pitchford moved to receive said report, which was received and adopted.

Report of committee on Ministerial Education called. No report.

On motion of Elder Fulford, Dr. Wingate was appointed to write a report on same. Adopted.

Bro. Hufham, appointed to write on Foreign Missions, reported as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

This department of our labor derives its authority and its importance from our Saviour's last command: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." So long as there is one creature in all the earth to whom the gospel has not been sent, so long must every lover of Jesus be a missionary in faith and in practice. How much more should we be stirred up to diligence in this matter, when there are so many millions—millions on millions of immortal beings who have not so much as heard the name of Jesus!

The results of the work thus far have been such as to give ample encouragement to go forward. Men now living remember the going out of Judson, Rice and Newell, the first missionaries of the American Baptists to the heathen. In the field occupied by them the native christians are now numbered by thousands. During one month of this year more than five thousand converts from heathenism were baptized in that field alone. Results equally remarkable have been witnessed in other parts of the earth.

From Bro. Yates, and our other brethren in China, there come words of cheer. The indications have never been so cheering, so far as the openings for labor and the interest of the people in the preached word are concerned. But the laborers are few; they are falling at their posts. They are calling for reinforcements, but the lack of funds prevents these reinforcements from being sent on.

In Rome we have succeeded at last in securing a house of worship which will be ready for use in a few months. There, and throughout Italy, our missionaries are meeting with abundant encouragement.

In Africa, also, the favor of the Lord seems to rest on the efforts which His people are putting forth.

Let us more and more labor and pray and give for the turning of the heathen nations to Christ.

J. D. HUFHAM.

Before adoption, Bro. Powell made a feeling and earnest appeal in behalf of the heathen.

Bro. Hufham in his own happy and peculiarly interesting and instructive way, enlightened and delighted the audience with the proven history of the Baptists in past ages, and their great success in foreign lands, and urged the necessity as well as duty of giving liberally of our means to extend the Kingdom of Christ among the heathen.

Dr. Wingate, in an elaborate and exceedingly interesting speech, spoke of the success attending the labors of our Missionaries in foreign lands.

Bro. Broughton, in his earnest and pleasing way, thinks we ought to pray more for the success of foreign missions; if we would pray more we would give more.

Bro. Purefoy thinks enough has been said, but cannot refrain from saying a word on the subject, and proves conclusively that we are sending out Missionaries just as in

the days of the Apostle Paul. To go into all the world, is a command binding upon all, and to go with our purses, if not our persons, is a duty binding upon every christian.

After which, the report was adopted.

It was moved by Bro. J. R. Johnson that a committee be appointed to prepare a report on State and Associational Missions, when

The Moderator appointed Elder Newell a committee to write a report on State Missions, and Rev. G. M. Duke to write on Associational Missions.

Moved by Elder Hufham that a committee be appointed to write on Periodicals.

Bro. Broughton appointed.

Elder Hufham, chairman of committee to nominate Standing Committees, reported the following:

On Foreign Missions—Jas. A. Pitchford, G. W. Newell and J. R. Pope.
On Associational Missions—J. A. Mundy, J. B. Brewer and N. Biggs.
On State Missions—C. M. Cooke, W. J. Fulford and W. C. Lankford.
On Ministerial Education—G. M. Duke, D. Wester and O. C. Stallings.
On Periodicals—C. A. Jenkins, E. P. Powell and E. Allen.
On Sunday Schools—R. T. Vann, H. R. Rasberry and Wm. Deans.

Report adopted.

Adjourned for dinner.

FRIDAY, 2 O'clock, P. M.

Report on State Missions being called for, Elder Newell read the report, as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Dear Brethren:—In addition to the local work which is being done by the Associations, we are trying, through our State Board, to take a general survey of the whole field embraced within our State boundaries, and to supply the destitution which we find as best we are able.

There is in some parts of this territory great destitution of Baptist preaching, and, in some cases, of almost any preaching.

Very much has been accomplished in the past through our State Board, and in this fact we have encouragement for continued efforts.

In accordance with the views of some of our brethren, the Board has been trying, during this year, to do its work without keeping an Agent in the field, hoping thus to save something in the matter of expense. This makes it necessary that we shall not fail to remember the State Board, or to send forward our contributions without waiting for the visits of an agent.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. NEWELL, *Committee.*

The report was ably discussed by Brethren Fulford, Hufham, Powell, Pitchford and Wester, when the question was called and the report adopted.

On motion of Bro. Broughton a collection for State Missions was taken up, amounting to $18.55.

Delegates from Louisburg arrived and names enrolled. The Louisburg church petitions for the next Association.

Report on Associational Missions was called for and Bro. Duke read the report, and after an animated discussion, participated in by Elders Pitchford, Hufham, Wingate and Cooke, it was, on motion of Bro. Cooke, made special order for to-morrow 10 o'clock.

Adjourned until to-morrow 9½ o'clock.

Prayer by Elder Wingate.

At night Eld. Jas. Purefoy occupied the pulpit, and from I Peter, 3rd, 4th and 5th verses, preached a rich and exceedingly interesting sermon.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9½ O'clock.

The Association met according to adjournment.

Prayer by Elder Knight.

The hour having arrived for the special order, it was postponed one hour, by request.

On resolution of Elder Newell, the Treasurer of the Association was instructed to pay to Elder W. J. Fulford, from the funds now in hand, $75.00, balance due him for services as Missionary at Nashville the past year. Adopted.

A resolution upon Temperance was introduced by Bro. Fulford, which, after some discussion, was moved to be laid on the table. Carried.

The Moderator appointed a committee of three, consisting of brethren W. B. Coppedge, Dr. O. C. Stallings and Noah Biggs, upon the Temperance resolution of Bro. Fulford.

Report on Periodicals was called for, and read by Elder Newell, as follows:

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The religious newspaper, as an agency for the diffusion of useful knowledge, and as an agency in christian training and in promoting soul-prosperity, is too well known to need more than mere mention here. The leaders of our denomination have long seen the importance of this instrumentality

for good, and have labored steadily to give it the highest measure of excellency.

It is a matter for thankfulness that the *Biblical Recorder*, our own organ, goes so far towards supplying every want of the denomination in the sphere which it was designed to fill. Every Baptist in the State should take it.

The *Foreign Mission Journal* is published at small price, and is designed to give full and regular information in reference to the progress of the gospel in heathen lands.

Kind Words devoted to the interests of Sunday Schools in the South. It should find a place in all our Sabbath Schools.

Committee.

Speech by Bro. Barkley.

Bro. Hufham says the RECORDER is part of his intellectual machinery, and cannot see how any Baptist can do without it.

Bro. Broughton gives an encouraging account of the paper, and facetiously tells the brethren how dangerous it is not to subscribe for the RECORDER.

Bro. Wester wants to stop so much talk about the RECORDER, and the only way to do it, is by all to follow his example: come up and pay for it for a year.

Highly entertaining speeches were made by brethren McDowell, Vann and Pitchford, after which the report was adopted.

A letter was received from the Pleasant Grove (colored) church, asking admission into our body.

The Moderator appointed a committee, consisting of brethren Barkley, Newell and Pitchford to inquire into church covenant, articles of faith, &c., of said church, and, after examination, made the following report:

Dear Brethren :—Your committee on the application of Pleasant Grove (colored) church to join this body, have to report that said church ask permission to withdraw its application for the present.

G. W. NEWELL,
J. G. BARKLEY,
J. A. PITCHFORD,
Committee.

Hour for special order having arrived, report on Associational Missions was taken up, and warmly discussed by Bro. Hufham, who said he wanted $1,500 for that object, and must have it. He was followed by

Bro. Cooke, with his usual warmth and characteristic zeal, made an earnest and impressing speech.

After which, the following churches and individuals pledged the amounts below:

J. D. Huf ham,	$ 200 00	R. A. Beal,	10 00
C. M. Cooke,	100 00	J. A. Tunstill,	10 00
G. M. Duke,	100 00	Jesse A. Carter,	10 00
Peach Tree, J. T. Webb,	100 00	Wm. Cooper,	10 00
J. B. Brewer,	100 00	Fred. Gregory,	10 00
J. R. Johnson, Warrenton,	100 00	A. McDowell,	10 00
Conoconary,	50 00	Rock Spring,	10 00
Corinth,	50 00	W. D. Harris,	15 00
Bear Swamp,	50 00	Robt. Harper,	5 00
Greenville,	50 00	J. L. Battle,	5 00
F. J Dennis,	50 00	R. J. Wright,	5 00
W. H. Kitchen,	50 00	Lewis Pope,	5 00
Noah Biggs,	54 00	Charlton Pope,	5 00
Wake Forest,	50 00	N. B. Broughton,	15 00
Antioch,	25 00	D. Wester,	5 00
Cedar Rock,	25 00	Sam. J. Matthews,	5 00
Gardner's, F. H. Nicholson	25 00	J. M. Stallings,	5 00
Reedy Creek,	25 00	Ben'j Quartermas,	5 00
J. G. Barkley,	25 00	W. T. Battle,	5 00
Shiloh, H. Crudup,	25 00	Jas. Mobley,	5 00
J. W. Allen,	25 00	Dr. Wingate,	5 00
R. T. Vann,	30 00	Cash,	1 00
Cypress Chapel,	10 00		
New Hope, B. D. Rice,	10 00	Total,	$1,500 00
Sandy Creek,	10 00		

NOTE.—The report on Associational Missions was not handed in and the Brother who wrote it was taken sick and the Clerk was unable to obtain it.

CLERK.

On motion of Bro. Pitchford, regular order was suspended, and time and place of next Association taken up.

A resolution was offered to change time to Thursday before the 4th Sunday in August, which was discussed at some length and finally decided to be Thursday before the 2nd Sunday in October, Louisburg, Franklin county, to be the place.

Adjourned.

SATURDAY EVENING, 2 P. M.

Prayer by Bro. Harper.

Committee on Ministers to preach Stated Sermons, report as follows:

To preach Introductory Sermon, J. A. Mundy; Alternate, A. M. Pittman.
To preach Demoninational Sermon, R. T. Vann; Alternate, G. M. Duke.
To preach Conventional Sermon, J. D. Huf ham; Alternate, Thomas Carlick.

J. R. JOHNSON, Chm'n.

Dr. Wingate read the following report on Ministerial Education:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your committee learn that there have been some fifteen young ministers under the direction of the Board of Education during the past year, and the Board are able to state that this number have been sustained, in whole or in part, without forming any debt.

In accordance with a resolution of the Board last year, and confirmed by the Convention, a short course of Biblical instruction has been arranged at the College for those of our young ministers who may not be able to pursue a full classical course. This arrangement will meet the wants of some already in the ministry, some who have families, and others who, for any reason, may not wish to take a more thorough course. But an increase of funds is demanded to pursue such a policy.

Respectfully submitted,

W. M. WINGATE.

The report was received and ably discussed by Dr. Wingate and Hufham.

After which a collection was taken up amounting to $18.20.

Report adopted.

Report on Sunday Schools was called for and read by Eld. Pitchford, as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Dear Brethren:—This subject is a beautiful and important theme for discussion, and though it has been written about and acted upon so often, still there is a broad field. We should feel greatly encouraged at the advancement made in this enterprise in the last few years. This should stimulate us to redouble our energies to establish schools in every church and community. The good effects of Sunday Schools are apparent in every place where they exist, and sad, indeed, is the lot of those children who are denied the blessed opportunity. Children, like grown persons, will acquire habits, good or bad—the latter are more easily acquired. The encouragement of parents and guardians, with a good superintendent, and prompt, pious teachers, is the life of a Sunday School, and will win a wayward boy or girl from immoral to moral habits, if not pious ones. Brethren, what a great and glorious work the spiritual training of these little souls, who meet with us Sunday after Sunday, to study the word of God. What a pleasure it bestows to see the bright and happy faces of these children, eager to take their places in Sunday School classes.

Brethren and parents, is there not a weighty and sad responsibility resting on us? They will soon take our places in the church and State. Are we not commanded to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, and to teach them to observe all things whatsoever we are commanded Then let us, as we value their salvation, engage more earnestly in this work before night cometh when no man can work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. LAWRENCE

Without discussion the report was adopted.

Finance committee report as follows:

State Missions,	$ 43 12
Foreign Missions,	33 33
Associational Missions,	328 46
Education,	4 00
Minute Fund,	69 95
Yellow Fever Fund,	8 25

The undersigned, committee on Finance, report the above amounts received by us from the churches, for objects named, which have been paid to the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. STALLINGS,
M. C. DUKE,
Committee.

NOTE.—After applying the money to the above objects, we find $2.54 unappropriated.

J. M. S.
M. C. D.

Adopted.

Elder Newell offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Rev. W. J. Fulford be continued for the coming year as Missionary at Nashville, and the same compensation be allowed him.

Adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received at Pleasant Grove for Minute fund,	$ 60 42
" " " " " Foreign Missions,	19 15
" " " " " State Missions,	14 84
" " " " " Home (Associational) Missions,	31 18
" for Sabbath Schools,	3 00
" " Education,	16 85
" " Beneficiary,	20 70
" from Greenville church,	2 00
" " Reedy Creek for Beneficiary,	5 00
" " former Treasurer,	7 47
" " Sharon church,	2 00
" " Collection at Pleasant Grove,	20 00
	$202 61

Disbursements.

Paid E., B. & Co., for printing Minutes,	$ 45 00	
" " " for printing church letter blanks,	3 00	
" Elder J. S. Purefoy, on account Beneficiary,	44 55	
" J. G. Williams, Treas. Bap. State Convention,	54 00	
" for stationery, stamps, expressage, &c.,	7 92	
" Clerk's fee and transcribing Minutes,	16 15	
		$170 62
Remaining in Treasury,		$ 31 99

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. JOHNSON,
Clerk & Treasurer.

Report adopted.

Elder Hufham offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to consist of brethren C. M. Cooke, N. Biggs, J. B. Brewer, M. C. Duke and J. R. Johnson to superintend the Missionary work of the Association during the coming year, the expenditures not to exceed the amount of money now on hand.

Adopted.

The following resolutions were offered by Bro. Fulford:

Resolved 1*st*, That the constant disposition manifested by the colored churches in connection with our body to take counsel from those who have had better opportunies than they of knowing what are "the ancient landmarks," is highly commendable, and that we assure them of our confidence in and sympathy with them.

Resolved 2*d*, That C. M. Cooke, Elder G. W. Newell and Handy Crudup, be appointed a committee to devise a plan for the circulation among these brethren of a pure Baptist literature.

Adopted.

Report on Obituaries was called, and the memorial of Rev. Thomas Wilcox was read, as follows:

MEMORIAL OF ELDER WILCOX.

Thomas Wilcox was born in the county of Halifax, N. C., on the second of March, 1804; was baptized in 1828, was ordained in 1830, and died at home, in his native county, on the 8th of March, 1877. He was an intelligent, industrious and successful farmer. His Divine Master, when He called him to the ministry, found Bro. Wilcox where Elijah did Elisha—at the plow. He represented that class of men who are generally the best made, because they are self-made. He was far from being illiterate. On the contrary, he had acquired a good English education, and had enriched his mind with valuable stores of practical knowledge. Although he came not with excellency of speech or of wisdom, yet he was earnest and faithful, declaring unto you the testimony of God. His fire-side conversations and his discourses in the pulpit, seemed always to flow from a heart full of love to Christ, and of loving concern for all whom he addressed. He was with you in weakness and in fear, and in much trembling; for he determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ and Him crucified.

Although rooted and built up in Christ, and established in the faith, his mind was subject to remarkable variations, rising sometimes to the height of full assurance, and at other times sinking down to the lowest depths of despondency. This distressing reflux of feeling, which at times he experienced, was due to the habitual tenderness of conscience for which he was noted, and ultimately to that sense of unworthiness—that low estimate of himself—which was the brightest jewel in his character—which made him the useful servant of the Lord that he was, and rendered him so lovely in the eyes of all others, though sincerely degraded in his own.

His domestic circle, made attractive and charming by its individual members, revolved around him as the centre of its life, influence and happiness. A hearty welcome, generous hospitality, and (at parting) unfeigned regret, made every visitor feel and express himself with Bunyan's pilgrim: "Methought those things did ravish my heart I would have stayed at that good man's house a twelve month, but that I knew I had farther to go."

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. R. OWEN, *Committee.*

On motion of Elder Hufham, the report was adopted and ordered to be printed with the Minutes.

Motion was made by Bro. Fulford, that $75.00 be taken out of next year's subscription for Ministerial Education, and applied to our licentiate, Bro. Coppedge, for educational purposes. Adopted.

Bro. Hufham moved that every brother from this Association who could attend, be appointed to represent us at the Baptist State Convention. Carried.

Report of historian was called for. No report.

Clerk was instructed to have 1200 copies Minutes printed, and letters for each church.

Through the hurry of business, the Moderator failed to give right hand of fellowship to delegates from Hamilton and Pine Forest churches, which were admitted into our body.

Elder Newell offered the following resolution of thanks:

Resolved, That we return our sincere thanks to Conoconary church and the citizens of the vicinity, for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained the members of this Association.

Adopted.

The Minutes were read, corrected and adopted.

The business of the Association being over, the Moderator declared the Association adjourned, to meet at Louisburg, Franklin county, Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1879.

Prayer, Elder Purefoy leading.

J. T. WEBB, MODERATOR.

A. G. WILLCOX, *Clerk.*

AT NIGHT.

Eld. Vann occupied the pulpit. Text: 3rd chapter, I Timothy, 16th verse.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Conventional Sermon by Elder J. D. Hufham. Text: 9th verse, 8th chapter, II Corinthians. After which a collection was taken up amounting to $32.16.

EVENING.

Dr. Wingate preached from the 23rd chapter Luke, 42nd verse.

FORM OF BEQUEST TO WAKE FOREST COLLEGE.

I give and bequeath to the Trustees of Wake Forest College, ...

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for use of said College.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Count'es	Pastor and his P. O.	Clerk and his P. O.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Additi'n.			Dim't'n			White Males.	White Females.	Total White.	Colored.	Total.
					Baptisms.	Letter.	Restoration.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.					
Antioch,.....	Halifax,..	J. A. Pitchford, Littleton,	H.A.Sledge,Brinkleyville,	1st,	14	..	..	1	2	1	26	70	96	2	98
Bear Swamp,..	Halifax,..	N. A. Purefoy,Warrenton	J.H.Connell, Brinkl'ville,	4th,	2	..	..	3	..	2	8	20	28	29	57
Brown's,.....	Warren,..	N.A.Purefoy,Warrenton,	John Watson,Warrenton,	2nd,	1	..	..	2	..	1	14	46	60	127	187
Conoconary,....	Halifax,..	T. R. Owen, Tarboro,....	E.P.Powell,Daws.X R'ds,	....	27	1	2	..	2	..	38	52	90	...	90
Cypress Chapel,	Franklin,	P. H. Pernell, Louisburg,	J. C. Moore, Castalia,....	4th,	1	2	1	1	2	..	12	35	47	4	51
Corinth,..... ..	Franklin,	W. A. Barrett, Frankl't'n,	A. D. Ellis, Louisburg,..	3d,	18	4	1	5	3	..	42	63	105	...	105
Cedar Rock,....	Franklin,	G.W. Newell,Cedar Rock	J.A.Coppedge,Cedar R'k,	1st,	7	11	..	..	...	..	13	23	41	...	41
Gardner,.....	Warren,..	N. A. Purefoy, Warren'tn	J.W.Shearin,Macon Dep't	1, 3,	26	7	..	7	..	..	26	72	98	...	98
Greenville,.....	.....	... .	....	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	..	...	...
Hickory Chapel	Nash,....	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	B.F.Drake,Battleboro,...	3d,	6	1	..	1	..	1	33	45	78	...	78
Hamilton, ...	Martin,..	... .	....	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	...	...	....
Louisburg,.....	Franklin,	C A. Jenkins, Louisburg	Y.B.Clifton,Louisburg,...	1, 3.	12	13	2	..	1	..	23	31	54	...	54
Littleton,... ..	Halifax,..	D. A. Glenn, W.F.College	C. L. Sledge, Littleton,..	2nd,	42	3	1	5	..	2	54	51	105	...	105
Maple Springs,.	Franklin,	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	W.C.Lankford,Louisb'rg,	4th,	7	2	1	4	2	1	33	64	97	20	117
Mt. Olivet,. ..	Franklin,	E. F. Beacham, Frankl'tn	F.Tharington,Frankl'ton,	3d,	...	..	..	..	..	3	12	32	44	...	44
Mt. Zion, ...	Franklin,	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	A. J. Carr, Laurel,.....	1st,	2	1	..	1	..	.	27	61	88	...	88
New Bethel,....	Warren,..	M.R.Pernell,Franklinton,	E.W. Green, Louisburg,.	1st,	14	3	1	..	2	..	47	67	114	...	114
New Hope, ...	Wilson,..	M.R.Pernell,Franklinton,	Jas T. Rice,.....	....	34	..	..	..	..	..	26	24	50	...	...
Peach Tree,....	Nash,....	W. J. Fulford, Nashville,	H.M.Warren,Spr'g Hope,	2nd,	9	2	..	19	8	2	77	170	247	49	296
Philadelphia, ..	Nash,....	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	J.V.Bunting,Hilliardston,	2nd,	...	..	..	..	1	..	35	68	103	2	105
Pleasant Grove,	Nash,....	P. H. Pernell, Louisburg,	A. S. Bains, Nashville,...	1st,	19	4	5	..	1	1	47	72	119	7	126
Poplar Spring,.	Franklin,	A.F.Purefoy,W.F.College	J. H. Chearis, Louisburg,	3d,	33	..	1	3	3	..	70	173	243	35	278
Pine Forest,...	Martin,..	....	....	....	....	..	..	....	..	..	....	....	.. .	...	...

Red Bud,	Franklin,	P. H. Pernell, Louisburg,	S. Harper, Castalia	2nd,	5	..	..	3	4	..	54	123	177	2	179
Red Oak,	Nash,	W. J. Fulford, Nashville,	E. G. Barkley, Rocky Mt.	3d.	9	2	..	..	2	1	29	45	74	...	74
Reedy Creek,	Warren,	J. A. Pitchford, Littleton,	Dr. T. J Pitchford, Warr'tn	2nd.	9	7	..	..	28	..	23	....	23	...	28
Rock Spring,	Franklin,	J. R. Jones. Pacific,	J. H. Odum, Louisburg.	1st,	11	4	..	..	4	..	29	48	77	...	77
Samaria,	Nash,	Wm C. Nowell, Earpsboro	Wesley Privett, Stanhope.	2nd,	14	..	..	..	4	..	24	65	89	2	91
Sandy Creek,	Franklin,	J. A. Pitchford, Littleton.	N. Davis, Cedar Rock,	3d,	27	..	..	..	1	3	47	114	161	4	165
Sharon,	Warren,	D. A. Glenn. Wake Forest,	P. R. Perkinson, War. Pl'ns	1st,	13	1	1	3	..	2	54	96	150	...	150
Tarboro,	.....	Not represented, ...	.....	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	....
Warrenton,	Warren,	J. A. Mundy, Warrenton,	J. M. Waddill, Warrenton.	ev'y	20	4	2	2	..	..	48	78	126	...	126
Wilson,	Wilson,	T. R. Owen. Tarboro,	D. C. Hardy, Wilson,	1st,	37	7	..	4	1	..	32	37	69	...	69
Zion,	Halifax,	J. D. Huf ham Scotl. Neck,	L. W. Bagley, Scotl'd Neck	1234	26	4	..	4	1	1	43	53	96	1	97
Hawkins Chap'l	Franklin,	Jeff. Burrell, Kittrell's,	George Pew,	..	15	3	..	..	5	3	...	....	....	115	115
Shiloh, (col.)	Granville	" " "	H. Crudup, Kittrell's,	2nd,	69	2	1	14	5	5	...	....	...	503	503
					519	..	..	..	..	..	1051	1928	2979	902	3881

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE YEAR.							PRESENT CONTRIBUTIONS.						TOTAL.
	State Miss.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	Sunday School Bo'rd	Pastor's Salary.	Church Expense.	Other Objects.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	Association Missions.	Association'l Fund.	Other Objects.	
Antioch,	$ 4 50	$ 4 61	$	$	$	$20 00	$	$	$	$	$	$ 2 00	$ 8 25	$ 29 11
Bear Swamp,		6 95						5 00	1 25		30 00	1 50		44 70
Brown's,		7 60			100 00	2 00	115 00				30 00	2 00		226 00
Conoconary,												2 00		2 00
Cypress Chapel,					50 00				1 20		5 00	1 00		57 20
Corinth,		3 46			75 00	42 83					10 00	2 00		133 29
Cedar Rock,		2 50				210 00					5 00	1 50		219 00
Gardner's,		4 39			100 00		22 50					1 50		128 39
Greenville,														
Hickory Chapel,	9 50	5 80			100 00	162 45		9 50	6 50			1 65		295 40
Hamilton,														
Louisburg,	10 00	25 00			500 00	50 00	2,700 00				30 00	2 00		3,317 00
Littleton,		10 00			150 00									160 00
Maple Spring,		3 13			150 00	1 00	800 00		2 00		20 00	3 00		187 00
Mt. Olivet,												1 50		1 50
Mt. Zion,			5 00		100 00			2 25	1 25	2 00	10 00	1 50		122 00
New Bethel,					75 00			5 00	5 68			2 50		88 18
New Hope,											5 00	1 50		6 50
Peach Tree,		1 40			100 00						30 00	2 00		133 40
Philadelphia,	50	50	20 00		100 00						9 00	2 00		132 00
Pleasant Grove,	2 37	25			60 00	1 25	9 55	2 16			10 00	2 00		87 58
Poplar Spring,					100 00	142 50					10 00	2 00		254 50
Pine Forest,														

Red Bud,	$ 1 33	$ 1 00	$	$	$	$	$	$ 5 00	$	$	$	$ 1 00	$	$ 8 32
Red Oak,	4 00	4 71	27 00		100 00			66	1 65		10 46	2 00		150 48
Reedy Creek,	12 00	4 85			100 00		8 00					2 50		127 35
Rock Spring,	3 22	5 38				14 00		10 00				1 50		34 10
Samaria,					50 00	10 00					5 00	1 00	5 00	71 00
Sandy Creek,						50 00						1 30	5 00	56 30
Sharon,	6 00	9 80	23 00	30 00	150 00	21 00	140 00					2 50		470 50
Tarboro,														
Warrenton,		7 55			900 00	107 39	150 00		14 50			3 00		1,182 44
Wilson,	60 00				200 00	50 00	50 00				30 00	1 00	30 00	421 00
Zion,	25 00		40 00	11 00	600 00	50 00	1,655 00					3 00	2 50	2,413 50
Hawkins' Chapel,												2 50		2 50
Shiloh,					100 00	200 00						5 00		305 00
														$10,867 24

Warrenton church contributed during the past year in addition to above $6.22 for Indian Missions.

Zion church is entitled to a credit of $1 000 on account of Wake Forest College.

SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENT AND HIS P. O.	Officers and Teachers.	Average Attendance.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Conversions.	Volumes in Library.	No Kind Words taken.	Other papers.	Contributions for the Y'r. Sund'y School Board.	Other Objects.	Total.	No. months School kept open.
Conoconary,	H. H. Raspberry,	11	11	60	35	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Corinth,	P. J. Dement, Louisburg,	8	6	103	5	12	75	....	..	.....	.....	.....	8
Cedar Rock,	John M. Stallings, Cedar Rock,	10	8	50	35	10	100	10	..	.....	$ 5 00	$ 5 00	6
Gardner's,	John H. Nicholson, Macon Depot,	15	12	55	40	6	60	22	..	.....	19 37	19 37	8
Littleton,	Wm. H. Bobbitt, Littleton,	10	7	45	30	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	2
Louisburg,	C. M. Cooke, Louisburg,	12	9	103	60	..	75	....	54	.....	23 00	23 00	12
Hickory,	W. O. Dunn, Ringwood,	8	7	60	35	3	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Zion,	J. J. Ward, Laurel,	12	8	50	20	2	150	....	..	.....	.....	.....	8
Mt. Olivet,	.....	7	....	75	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Bethel,	Wm. Dickie, Henderson,	7	5	58	26	3	30	....	..	.....	.....	.....	4
Peach Tree 1,	H. M. Warren, Springhope,	5	3	50	30	..	....	40	..	.....	3 50	3 50	6
Peach Tree 2,	A. A. Sledge, Louisburg,	5	3	47	25	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	7
Peach Tree 3,	H. M. Lee, Castalia,	5	3	60	30	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	7
Philadelphia,	S. A. Ward, Hilliardston,	8	5	40	25	..	50	....	..	.....	.....	.....	6
Poplar Springs,	John Griffin, Louisburg,	12	....	80	55	20	....	22	..	.....	.....	.....	12
Red Oak,	J. G. Barkley, Rocky Mount,	8	6	40	35	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	6
Red Bud,	Thos. S. Colie, Castalia,	11	8	42	25	..	60	....	..	.....	1 80	1 80	6
Rock Spring,	J. H. Odum, Louisburg,	4	4	25	15	2	40	....	..	.....	.....	.....	6
Samaria,	B. T. Strickland, Wakefield,	8	6	200	100	20	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	12
Sandy Creek,	J. H. Gupton, Laurel,	5	4	38	26	6	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	4
Sharon,	J. H. Hicks, Oakville,	8	5	60	30	7	150	....	20	$ 30 00	.....	30 00	12
Warrenton,	J. M. Waddill, Warrenton,	13	10	80	58	10	500	20	60	.....	.....	.....	12
Wilson,	G. W. Blount, Wilson	12	10	40	40	5	100	30	..	.....	.....	.....	12
Zion,	R. T. Vann, Scotland Neck,	38	28	250	175	9	100	36	22	.....	100 00	100 00	3 for 6
Hawkins' Chapel,	Alford Crudup, Kittrell's,	3	...	41	....	..	....	....	..	.....	.....	.....	1 for 12
Shiloh,	Andrew Green, Kittrell's,	6	...	50	....	40	....	....	..	.....	5 00	5 00	10

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PROCEEDINGS.

LOUISBURG, N. C., Oct. 9th, 1879.

The 49th Annual Session of the Tar River Baptist Asso· was commenced in this place to-day.

Elder J. A. Mundy being absent, the Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder G. M. Duke, from Romans 12th chapter, 16th verse: "Be of the same mind."

After intermission, the Association was called to order by Bro. J. T. Webb, the former Moderator. Religious services were conducted by Elder J. D. Hufham, D. D.

The roll of churches was called. Brother G. W. Blount was appointed Reading Clerk, and brethren Noah Biggs and J. M. Stallings a Committee of Finance.

The following delegates answered, with letters from their churches:

Antioch—Robt B. Taylor, Ambrose Cullum, Richard Collier.
Bear Swamp—W. E. Bowers, W. R. Harvey, S. C. Shearin.
Brown's—Jno. W. Allen, Jno. Watson.
Conoconary—J. R. Pope, J. H. Branch.
Cypress Chapel—W. J. Wilder, A. A. Sledge.
Corinth—Dr. W. J. Judd, T. S. Carroll.
Cedar Rock—J. W. Sledge, J. J. May, Wm. Inscoe.
Gardner's—J. R. Rodwell.
Greenvilie—Elder Thos Carrick.
Hickory Chapel—H. B. S. Pitt, W. O. Dunn, H. C. Matthews.
Hamilton—
Louisburg—E. W. Timberlake, Solomon Walker, Y. B. Clifton.
Littleton—Jesse A. Carter.
Maple Spring—C. J. Egerton, N. H. Macon, Dr. W. C. Lankford.
Mt. Zion.—Wm. Cooper, Wiley Askew, Daniel Inscoe.
Mt. Olivet—
New Bethel—S. M. Hicks.
New Hope—B. D. Rice, Jas A Privett, H. H. Williams.
Peach Tree—J. T. Webb, W. J. M. Boon, G. Rice.
Philadelphia—J. S. Beal, M. S. Griffin, Jas. V. Bunting.
Pleasant Grove—Elijah Coggin, W. S. Batchelor, G. Winstead.
Poplar Spring—Dr. J. C. Fowler, W. S. Cheves, Rutherford Perry.
Pine Forest—
Red Bud—John H. Collins, John Colbert.
Reedy Creek—Dr. Thos. J. Pitchford, M. C. Duke, Benj. R. Harris.
Red Oak—John Beal, Thad. Coley, E. T. Barkley.
Rock Spring—A. J. Underhill, J. L. Cheves, J. H. Odum.
Samaria—Burtis Cone, Wesley Privett.
Sandy Creek—N. Davis, J. J. Ward. E. M. Gupton.

Sharon—Wm. Wortham, Jno. T. Rodwell, Jacob Shearin.
Tarboro—
Warrenton—J. R. Johnson, Elder J. A. Mundy.
Wilson—G W. Blount.
Zion—Noah Biggs, Elder J. D. Hufham, D. D.
Hawkin's Chapel (col.)—Daniel Perry, Harvy Harris.
Shiloh (col.)—Handy Crudup, Burwell Person.

Ministers present, *ex officio* members of the Association: J. A. Mundy, J. D. Hufham, D. D., R. T. Vann, J. A. Pitchford, G. M. Duke, M. R. Pernell, P. H. Pernell, Daniel Wester, Thomas Carrick, C. A. Jenkens, M. J. Freeman, J. G. Barkley, W. B. Knight, A. G. Willcox, W. A. Barrett, G. W. Newell.

On motion, Bro. J. T. Webb was re-elected Moderator, and Dr. W. C. Lankford Clerk and Treasurer.

The following visiting brethren accepted seats: Elders F. R. Underwood and W. D. Horner, E. J. Ragsdale, Flat River Association. Dr. O. D. Coppedge, Texas.

The following newly organized churches petitioned for admittance as members of this body, viz: Nashville, Turkey Branch, Enfield, Harris' Chapel and Free Chapel.

Bro. G. W. Blount moved that a committee of three Elders be appointed to examine the Articles of Faith and Covenant of these churches. J. D. Hufham, G. M. Duke and J. G. Barkley were appointed.

Elder Pitchford moved that the pastor and deacons of this church be appointed a Committee on Religious Exercise. Adopted.

Brethren John Watson, Burtis Cone and J. D. Hufham were appointed a Committee of Arrangements.

Adjourned. Services were held in the church at night by Elder J. A. Mundy.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, October 10th, 1879.

The church at Hawkins' Chapel was granted a letter of dismission.

Elder Hufham reported from the committee on new churches, recommending their reception. Report adopted and the delegates received the right hand of fellowship from the Moderator.

Gardner's church reported by letter and delegates.

The following visiting brethren accepted seats: Prof. C. E. Taylor, P. A. Dunn, Elder J. S. Purifoy, Elder Thos. E. Skinner, D. D., from Central Association; Elder Thos. H. Pritchard, D. D., President of Wake Forest College, and Elder W. R. Gwaltney, Raleigh Association.

The Committee of Arrangements reported as follows:

1. Meet at 9 o'clock, A. M., and adjourn at 12:30, P. M.; meet at 2 o'clock, P. M., and adjourn at will.
2. Appoint a committee to select ministers to preach stated sermons, and a committee to nominate standing committees.
3. Report on State Missions, Ministerial Education, Periodicals and Sunday Schools.
4. Printing Minutes.
5. Report of Financial Committee and Treasurer.
6. Report of Committee on Foreign Missions
7. Select time and place of next meeting.
8. Reports of committees to select ministers to preach stated sermons, and to nominate standing committees.
9. Appoint Delegate to Baptist State Convention.
10. Report of Historian.
11. Miscellaneous.
12. Report on Associational Missions to be made special order for to-morrow at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The Moderator appointed the following brethren on committee to appoint ministers to preach stated sermons: W. J. M. Boon. J. S. Beal, A. W. Bridgers; and the following to appoint standing committees: J. R. Rodwell, E. W. Timberlake, A. J. Underhill.

Report on Sunday Schools was read by Elder Vann, as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We beg leave to submit the following facts, assuming the data furnished in the Associational Letters as a basis:

Number of schools in Association, 34; number of officers and teachers, 257; average attendance, 188, or about three-fourths; number of pupils, 1,923; average attendance, 1,250, or about two-thirds. Number of months teaching, 250, averaging per school, 7½. Contributions to all objects, $285.96. Number of conversions, 60. Churches reported with schools, 26; churches reported without schools, 3; churches unreported, 6.

As compared with last year's statistics, the report shows a gain of 5 schools, 6 teachers, 73 scholars, 40 months of teaching, and $118.32 in contributions. There has been a loss of 95 in conversions. The average attendance is about the same. Of the churches reported last year 8 were without schools; only 3 are reported so now.

Assuming the data furnished by the State Sunday School Board as a basis, we find in the Tar River Association about 4,000 Baptists, of whom only 450 are in the Sunday School work.

We believe that the agency ordained to abolish the anti-mission spirit

is the Sunday School. Youthful prejudice yields readily, and youthful intellect absorbs rapidly, while youthful errors are most easily corrected. It is the duty of every Christian to seek a work and to do it. The field most accessible to all laborers, the school best adapted to all classes, is the Sunday School work. Respectfully submitted.

R. T. VANN.

Remarks by Elders Vann and Carrick.

Prof. Taylor: Some people think this is a sentimental work for women and children. If children are properly trained, and religious instruction given, it is the best and cheapest way of emptying penitentiaries and jails It increases the value of lands and property. Expel ministers from the country for forty years, and no decent person would live in it. Do not raise the standard of teaching too high—take the Bible for your guide, and however poor your abilities, do the best you can.

Dr. O. D. Coppedge delivered a spirited address on the work, and told how it was done in Texas; and how that distant State and its society had been improved by Sunday Schools.

Elder Hufham: There are those who think because one is a Missionary Baptist he is sent by man, and not by God. We stand on the New Testament as our platform and guide book, and we teach that in the Sabbath School. He told how Scotland Neck and Enfield had been improved by Sabbath School work.

Elder J. S. Purefoy: The Sunday School abolished idolatry. Synagogues were Sunday Schools. The greatest difficulty is, we do not appreciate the work.

The report was adopted.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

It has been the aim of your Committee to select and recommend for the consideration of this body such reading matter as shall best present and defend the distinctive doctrines of the Baptist churches, as shall speak to our people most faithfully the words of eternal life, and as shall bring most effectually sunshine and gladness into our homes.

In our opinion the *Biblical Recorder* is best calculated to meet the demands and needs of the Baptists of the Tar River Association, and for the following reasons:

1st. Knowledge is making rapid strides in our State. The daily newspapers are instructing the people. Cheap and hurtful literature abounds and finds many readers easily attracted by its tinsil. The cry comes up from every section of our country for something to read. What shall the people read? Shall they feed their minds on error, and form their opinions from the wild and reckless creeds contained in many of the periodicals they may chance to find around them? God forbid! But let us, by every means in our power, endeavor to impress the Baptists of this

Association with the importance of encouraging and sustaining the *Biblical Recorder*, as the most faithful exponent of their principles, and as the tireless guardian of their homes.

2nd. Baptists should take the *Recorder* because it teaches them their duty. Without some such medium of communication our members would know but little of Home or Foreign Missions. Upon these, and kindred points, it is the great instructor, and the careful observer will discover that where no paper enforcing the claims of missions is taken, the people care but little for the spread of the gospel, and utterly disregard every call of benevolence.

3rd. By reading the *Recorder* we are brought into sympathy with all the objects of the Convention, and thus become more intelligent, useful and active Christians. It is also a bond of union between the brethren of the State, bringing them into nearer and dearer relations with each other.

4th. The *Biblical Recorder* is the untiring advocate of education. Its great heart beats in unison with that of our beloved College, everywhere presenting its claims and urging its necessity.

5th. The *Recorder* cannot be too highly prized as a fireside preacher. It speaks to the soul; it enters the recesses of the heart. Many a pious man has lamented the embarrassment by which he is surrounded when he attempts to speak on eternal things with the unregenerate ones of his family; some have said it is easier to speak to strangers than to loved ones of religion. A good religious journal, then, meets a want here that nothing else can, for its tongue is never silent.

We recommend also, as worthy of your consideration, the *Foreign Mission Journal*, Richmond, Va., and *Kind Words*, an excellent Sunday School paper published at Macon, Georgia.

C. A. JENKENS, Committee.

Remarks by Dr. T. J. Pitchford: We should carry our *Recorders* to church to be read by those who cannot subscribe.

Elder J. S. Purefoy: There were 40,000 Baptists in the State in 1835; there are 160,000 to-day. One grand agency in this increase is the Baptist State Convention; another is Wake Forest College; the third is the *Biblical Recorder*, which has been at work as a pillar, building up the denomination. Its teachings cannot be dispensed with.

Elder Daniel Wester: There are three ways of winning men: by persuasion, force and shame. The Association should be ashamed of itself and of himself, on account of the want of education. The *Recorder* was an educator.

Dr. Pitchford contrasted Lord Byron, with all his perverted talents, with George Peabody. What might have been Byron's reward if he had received early religious instruction? Bunyan, the poor Baptist tinker, while in prison, wrote Pilgrim's Progress, a work that has carried light to millions of souls. He commented on the parable of the talents; the *Recorder* can be to all of us as one talent, which we can improve.

Dr. T. H. Pritchard represented the *Recorder* in an able speech.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Elder Gwaltney.
Report on Periodicals adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The Minister of the Gospel fills a very responsible place, being a messenger of God and having to preach that which will be a savor of life unto lie, or of death unto death—how necessary it is that he should be thoroughly instructed in his work! We believe it to be the duty of the minister to prepare himself to the extent of his ability to preach. While God blesses very weak and feeble instruments for good, and to the conversion of souls, this does not relieve the minister of his obligation to prepare for his work. God does not call men to idleness, but to work. The command to preach includes the command to study; "*study* to show thyself an approved workman," is the language of Paul to Timothy. Through the generosity of the friends of educatton, a place has been prepared (Wake Forest College) where ministers may be educated in a great deal less time than they could be at home. But there are brethren among us who are not able to educate themselves. Shall we help them? Our ill success in the past should not deter us from helping in the future.

We would suggest that a fund be raised as soon as convenient, and placed in the hands of a committee appointed by this body, to be loaned to worthy brethren who are called to preach and need help, instead of given to them as formerly. We think this the better plan, because it will secure us against loss, and be a positive advantage to the borrower in that it will relieve him of that sense of dependence that he must feel when a beneficiary, and must make him labor harder to educate himself. Again, only men who are determined to be educated will take advantage of this offer. We do not wish anything herein stated to have reference to the work of the State Board of Education, but simply to our own work.

There are fourteen brethren now at College who need assistance, and we hope the brethren will not ignore this department of Christian labor, but will help to the extent of our ability, and not suffer our Associational work to absorb other interests entirely.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE M. DUKE,
DANIEL WESTER,
O. C. STALLINGS,
Committee.

Elder Duke made a stirring speech on this subject.

Prof. C. E. Taylor followed, explaining the object and manner of educating young ministers at Wake Forest College. He stated that twenty-two ministers were present (at this Association) and a large majority of them were raised outside of the Association, showing that we should educate

young ministers, let them come from whatever section they may. If we do not afterward get the services of those we educate, we may receive the labors of those whom others have educated.

Elder Vann thought that if Wake Forest College was blotted out, our denomination would go backward one hundred years. A minister must be educated before he can effectually preach—either self educated or educated by schools and colleges. The self-educated minister spends the best portion of his life before he is prepared. There have been, according to statistics, fewer *ministerial failures* from Wake Forest College than from any school in the United States.

Dr. Thomas E. Skinner thought that the students at Wake Forest College might discuss which was the more important, Wake Forest College or the *Biblical Recorder*. Education was the foundation stone on which an elegant building might be erected. M. T. Yates went to College at twenty-one years of age, to get an education. Now, in point of learning, he stands second to no man.

A collection was taken for the beneficiaries at the college amounting in cash and pledges to $100. The following brethren made pledges: J. D. Hufham, $10; C. A. Jenkens, $10; J. W. Allen, $2; C. M. Cooke, $5; E. W. Timberlake, $5; Noah Biggs, $5; P. H. Pernell, $5; J. M. Stallings, $5; J. A. Mundy, $5; W. C. Lankford, $5.

The report was adopted.

The Moderator appointed the following Elders to examine brother R. D. Harper with a view to his ordination to the ministry: G. M. Duke, M. R. Pernell and J. G. Barkley.

Elder Underwood preached in the Methodist church at 11 o'clock, A. M. Text: I Cor. 3: 11-14.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, October 10th, 1879.

Prayer by Dr. O. D. Coppedge.

The Minutes of yesterday were read, corrected and approved.

Bro. Dennis, who had subscribed $50 to Associational Missions, received permission to apply it to Enfield church.

It was moved that the Presbytery to ordain brother R. D. Harper be re-called, as the petition did not come from brother Harper's church. Motion carried.

REPORTS ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Mission work in the bounds of our Association has brought to light an array of facts we, as Christians, cannot disregard. The territory opened to our missionaries is wide and inviting, and should we be slow to go in to possess it, we shall let slip one of the most prolific opportunities ever presented to a body of Christian workers.

The destitution within our borders should make heavy drafts upon our sympathies, since it lies so near our doors. It appeals to the noblest sentiments that ever moved men to action. Our own fellow citizens, in whose veins some of your blood flows, are opening their hearts gladly to the gospel, as we believe and preach it. The labor of our missionaries is no experiment over a doubtful problem, but an energetic effort toward a development of known facts. The people calling upon our liberalities are not strangers, but our kindred. To be heedless to that call would violate the most noble instincts of humanity. By a generous liberality we must prove ourselves worthy of the superior spiritual advantages a kind Providence has conferred upon us.

We leave it with the missionaries to state the condition of their respective fields. They have but to relate the things they have seen and heard, to awaken generous liberality in every breast. For the amount contributed by the churches, a most encouraging work has been accomplished. The results flowing from such a small expenditure of money should inspire us to make large investments in this direction.

J. A. MUNDY, Committee.

REPORTS FROM MISSIONARIES.

WILLIAMSTON.—Preaching on 4th Sunday in each month. One has been baptized; three have been received by letter. The house has been completed at an expense of several hundred dollars. It is now a beautiful and comfortable structure, mainly the gift of Dennis Simmons, Esq. Sunday School in successful operation. Real progress has been made. Outlook hopeful. J. D. HUFHAM.

NASHVILLE.—Commenced preaching Sept. 1st. Sermons preached, 13; families visited, 6. Church organized with five members: received for baptism, 3; baptized, 2. Prospect good. Arrangements are being made for building a house of worship; $200 subscribed. I do not ask any contributions for my work at Nashville. I did not preach but two weeks; they have presented me with a suit of clothes. The church needs assistance in building their house. G. M. DUKE.

FREE CHAPEL.—Preaching 4th Sunday. Church organized; members, 31. House to be repaired. R. D. HARPER.

Have occupied stations at Harrison's Shop and Harriss' Chapel during the past year. Succeeded in organizing a church at the latter place, which is now represented in the present Association.

A. G. WILLCOX.

AURELIAN SPRINGS.—Have labored as missionary, more or less, every year since my ordination, and at my own expense all the time. Have done less work in this line the present year than in any other year. Now occupy a station at Aurelian Springs, in Halifax county. Arrangements for organizing a church there all completed; assistance needed from Tar River Association. J. A. PITCHFORD.

ENFIELD, HALIFAX, WELDON.—Sermons preached, 23; baptisms, 20; churches organized, 2; churches built and completed, 3; Sunday Schools organized, 2. Field is large and promising. R. T. VANN.

The report was ably discussed in an interesting manner by Elders Pitchford, Duke and Hufham, and by brother C. M. Cooke.

The following pledges were then made to this work, to be paid at next Association:

Scotland Neck	$ 200 00	Hickory	20 00
G. W. Blount	100 00	A. G. Willcox	10 00
Louisburg	100 00	R. T Vann	30 00
J. T. Webb	100 00	Mt. Zion	20 00
J. A. Mundy	100 00	Noah Biggs	25 00
G. M. Duke	100 00	C. M. Cooke	25 00
Bear Swamp (less $25 for other purposes)	75 00	Daniel Wester	5 00
John Watson	50 00	J A. Pitchford	5 00
Greenville	50 00	C. E. Taylor	5 00
Conoconary	50 00	P. H Pernell	5 00
Reedy Creek	25 00	W. A. Barrett	5 00
Rock Spring	25 00	Peach Tree	25 00
Enfield	25 00	Thomas Carrick	5 00
Antioch	30 00	A. W. Jackson	5 00
Cypress Chapel	5 00	S. M. Boon	5 00
Corinth	25 00	J. S. Purefoy (paid)	5 00
Cedar Rock	25 00	Z. R. Hinton	5 00
Gardner's	25 00	Littleton	5 00
Littleton	25 00	Samaria	5 00
New Bethel	10 00	W. D. Coppedge	5 00
Philadelphia (5 members),	25 00	Red Oak	15 00
Poplar Spring	25 00	Elijah Coggin	5 00
Red Bud	25 00	Wiley Askew	5 00
Sandy Creek	15 00	Dr. J. C. Fowler	5 00
Pine Forest	10 00		
Maple Spring (the ladies),	25 00		$1,520 00

Report on Associational Missions adopted.

The former Executive Committee on Associational Missions was continued.

The Association arose to hear the Denominational Sermon, by Elder R. T. Vann, which was preached from Gal. 2nd chapter and part of the 20th verse, "And the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God."

Elder W. R. Gwaltney preached at the same hour in the Methodist church.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Prayer by Elder Carrick.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received of former Treasurer, October 10th,		$ 32 00
" for State Missions,		43 12
" " Associational Missions,		328 46
" " Foreign Missions,		33 33
" " Education,		4 00
" " Yellow fever,		8 25
" " Minute fund,		69 95
" Money unappropriated,		2 54
" Cash on Associational fund		1 00
" Sunday collection for Foreign Missions,		32 16
Total,		$554 81

Disbursements:

Paid E., B. & Co., printing Minutes	$ 45 00	
" Jordan Womble, State Missions,	43 12	
" " " Foreign Missions,	65 49	
" " " Yellow fever,	8 25	
" W. J. Fulford,	75 00	
" Noah Biggs (chairman),	253 46	
" Dr. Wingate for Education,	4 00	
Mailing Minutes, stamps, stationery, &c.,	5 75	
Clerk's fee and transcribing Minutes,	16 40	
Total,		$516 47
Balance due Tar River Association,		$ 38 34

A. G. WILLCOX, Treasurer.

Report adopted.

Peach Tree, Nash county, was chosen as the place for the next Association, and Thursday before the 2nd Sunday in October as the time.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

We all admit the importance and the duty of sustaining the preaching of the gospel in our own midst; and it is none the less important, nor none the less our duty to carry out the spirit of the great command, "Go ye into all the world," &c., by sending preachers to the heathen.

Wonders of grace are even now abundantly crowning this work in foreign lands; but the great things already seen are evidently but the first fruits of an abundant harvest yet to be reaped by the laborers in this part of the Lord's vineyard. Brethren, let us not fail to discharge our duty in this matter, or to have a part in accomplishing the great work that remains to be done.

J. A. PITCHFORD, Chairman Committee.

Dr. T. H. Pritchard made an address full of cheering news from heathen lands. The gospel is rapidly being carried to all parts of the earth.

Report adopted.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The Board of State Missions has had eighteen missionaries engaged in important fields during the year. Many of these men are among the most efficient ministers in the State, and the results of their labors are most encouraging. Within the limits of this Association, Brethren Hufham, Vann, Pittman and Knight have done a good work; Brethren Richardson, Brown, Olive and Fontaine have occupied fields in the Beulah Association; brother J. B. Boone has been retained at Salisbury and Statesville; brother J. R. Jones at Newton, Hickory and Morganton; brother J. H. Booth at ——— and Dallas; brother W. T. Jordan at Lauringburg, Shoe-Heel and Rockingham; brother Stough at Lincolnton; and a few others have labored in equally inviting fields, and your committee does not remember a year in which the Lord has poured out larger blessings upon the missionaries of the Convention.

It has been the constant effort of the Board of Missions to induce Associations to co-operate in this great work, and we are gratified to state that a number of these laborers have been supported by the joint contributions of the district Associations and the State Board.

It is our duty to state, in conclusion, that the State Board is considerably in debt to his employees, and that it will be obliged to report a deficit to the Convention unless contributions to this object increase during the next few weeks. The record of the State Mission Board is a noble one, and its claims should by no means be neglected.

C. M. COOKE.

Remarks by Elder Huf ham.

Elder Gwaltney explained the work of the State Mission Board.

It was ordered that the collection which should be taken to-morrow at the Baptist church be applied to Foreign Missions, and the collection at the Methodist church to State Missions.

Report adopted.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

At the commencement of the Associational year just closed, we had on hand, received from the Treasurer of the Association, two hundred and fifty-three dollars and forty-six cents. After mature consideration it seemed best to your committee to use this fund, or so much of it as might be required, in supporting Elder A. McA. Pittman as missionary at Hamilton and Piney Forest. He devoted all his time to these new and feeble churches and the adjacent country. We have reason to believe that his labors have been greatly blessed. At Hamilton, though there was no ingathering, the church has made progress, and is now engaged in building a house of worship. At Piney Forest eight were baptized during the year. We paid Elder Pittman one hundred and eighty-seven dollars and fifty cents, leaving a balance of sixty-five dollars and ninety-six cents in the Treasury, as will appear from the report of the Treasurer, which is herewith submitted.

Bro. Pittman is now in Louisville, Ky., and this important field is vacant. We cannot too strongly urge on your body the importance of securing an efficient laborer to supply brother Pittman's place.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. COOKE, Chairman, for Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Tar River Association

In Account with N. BIGGS, *Treasurer Executive Committee.*

1878.			
Oct.	By cash of Clerk		$253 46
	To cash paid Elder A. McA. Pittman	$187 50	
	To cash on hand	65 96	
		$253 46	$253 46
	By cash on hand this day	$ 65 96	

Elder Hufham offered the following:

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure of the efforts of our brethren at Hamilton to build a house of worship for the Lord, and that we commend them to the liberal consideration of the brethren composing this body.

A subscription was taken for Hamilton church, resulting in the following cash and pledges: Noah Biggs, $25; C. M. Cook, $25; J. T. Webb, $25; D. Wester, $2, paid; J. R. Rodwell, $2.50, paid; G. M. Duke, $1, paid; A. G. Willcox, $1, paid; Dr. Skinner, $1, paid; G. W. Blount, $1, paid; H. Collier, $3.40; E. W. Timberlake, $2; ———, $5.

Report of Executive Committee adopted.

The Clerk was directed to have the usual number of Minutes printed, &c.

REPORT ON STATED SERVICES.

Your committee appointed to select ministers to preach stated sermons at next Association, report as follows:

Introductory Sermon—Thomas Carrick.
Denominational Sermon—Geo. M. Duke.
Conventional Sermon—J. A. Mundy.

A. W. BRIDGERS, Chairman Committee.

A collection was taken for the educational benefit of Bro. George Coppedge, a licentiate, amounting to $24.00, which, added to the Education Fund, making $50.00, was ordered to be paid to brother Coppedge.

The following Standing Committees were appointed:

Foreign Missions—G. W. Blount, O C. Stallings, M C. Duke.
Associational Missions—Thos. Carrick, J. A. Whitley, W. E. Bowers.
State Missions—P. H. Pernell, A. W. Jackson.
Ministerial Education—J. A. Mundy, J. A. Pitchford, J. R. Johnson.
Periodicals—R. T. Vann, J. A. Mundy, J. R. Pope.
Sunday Schools—C. M. Cooke, F. J. Dennis, J. B. Brewer.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

NAMES OF CHURCHES.	Minute Fund.	Educa'n Board.	Foreign Missions	State Missions	Assoc'al Missions
Antioch	$ 2 00	$	$	$	$
Bear Swamp	1 50	5 00	4 00	6 00	50 00
Brown's	2 00				
Conoconary	2 50				50 00
Cypress Chapel	1 00				10 00
Corinth	2 00				25 00
Cedar Rock	2 50		4 00		25 00
Gardner's	2 30			5 30	25 00
Greenville	2 00				30 00
Hickory Chapel	2 00		1 50		25 00
Louisburg	1 25				100 00
Littleton	2 50				
Maple Spring	2 45	5 00	2 00		25 00
Mt. Zion	1 75				35 00
Mt. Olivet					
New Bethel	2 00				5 13
New Hope					10 00
Peach Tree	2 50		1 47	1 36	100 00
Philadelphia	2 00				17 70
Pleasant Grove	2 00				6 00
Poplar Spring	2 00	5 00			6 00
Red Bud	1 50				5 00
Reedy Creek	2 00				25 00
Red Oak	1 50				15 00
Rock Spring	1 50				25 00
Samaria	1 50				
Sandy Creek	1 50				10 00
Sharon	2 50	5 00		3 60	
Shiloh	3 00				
Tarboro					
Warrenton	2 50				100 00
Wilson	2 00	5 00	5 00		75 00
Zion	2 50				250 00
Hawkins' Chapel	2 50				
Harris' Chapel	1 00				
Enfield			3 00		50 00
Piney Forest	1 00				5 00
Nashville	50	2 00			2 00
Free Chapel	1 00				
Jas. L. Battle					5 00
J. A. Carter					10 00
T. E. Skinner					5 00
P. A. Dunn					5 00
J. W. Allen					25 00
J. A. Tunstall					10 00
Daniel Wester					5 00
J. M. Stallings					5 00
R. E. Peel					10 00
F. M. Gregory					10 00
R. T. Vann					30 00
Total	$ 66 25	$ 27 00	$ 20 97	$ 16 26	$1,226 83

Respectfully submitted,

N. BIGGS,
J. M. STALLINGS, } Committee.

The ministers of the Association, who are not Life Members of the Baptist State Convention, were appointed delegates to that body, which meets in Oxford on the 5th of November. Should there not be a sufficient number of ministers, any brother attending to be recognized, until the number thirteen is reached.

The Historian reported that he could not complete his work unless the clerks of churches would furnish him with sketches of their respective churches. Continued.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are eminently due, and are hereby heartily tendered to the brethren and friends in and near Louisburg for their hospitality during the session, and to the Methodists for the use of their house of worship. J. A. PITCHFORD.

This was heartily approved.

The reading of the Minutes was dispensed with.

Prayed by Elder G. M. Duke.

Adjourned to meet at Peach Tree church, Nash county, on Thursday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1880.

J. T. WEBB, *Moderator*

W. C. LANKFORD, *Clerk.*

SERVICES.

On Saturday, 3 o'clock, P. M.. Prof. C. E. Taylor preached in the Methodist church ; text, Philip. 1: 21, " For me to live is Christ." Elder W. R Gwaltney preached in the Methodist church at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Dr. T. H. Pritchard delivered an address in the Baptist church at 7½ o'clock, P. M., Saturday, on Education.

At the same hour, Elder Carrick preached in the Methodist church.

Sunday.. At Baptist church, at 11 o'clock, A. M., Elder J. D. Hufham, D. D.; text, II. Tim. 1: 12.

Same hour, Methodist church, Elder T. H. Pritchard, D. D.; text, Luke 16 : 31, " If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rose from the dead."

Collection at Methodist church for State Missions, $7.38.

A Sunday School Mass Meeting, held in the Methodist church, at 3 o'clock, P. M., and conducted by Elder R. T. Vann, was largely attended and much enjoyed. Addresses were delivered by Dr. Coppedge, Hon. J. J. Davis, Prof. W. C. Doub and Elder Vann.

Bro. A. D. Ellis furnished music with his Corinth choir of little girls and a little boy, from four to ten years of age.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CONTRIBUTIONS DURING THE YEAR.

CHURCHES	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education Board.	S. S. Board.	Pastor's Salary.	Church Expenses.	Other Objects
Brown's	$	$ ..	$ ..	.....	$ 100 00	$.....	$ 80 00
Cedar Rock	....	...	....	....	.....	245 00	.....
Corinth	.....	.....	....	.....	100 00	.....	.....
Cypress Chapel	.....	.....	....	.....	50 00	.....	.....
Greenville	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	500 00	31 00	31 00
Hickory Chapel	.....	1 50	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Louisburg	.....	.....	....	.....	500 00	40 00	.....
Littleton	.....	....	.....	.....	150 00	15 00	.....
Maple Spring	.....	....	....	.....	150 00	.....	10 00
Mt Zion	....	....	....	.....	100 00	54 00	.....
New Bethel	.....	.....	....	.....	75 00	....	.....
Poplar Spring	.....	.....	....	.....	100 00	2 50	.....
Philadelphia	.. ..	.....	....	.....	100 00	3 70	.....
Peach Tree	2 25	.....	....	2 25	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove	.. ...	.....	...	. ...	75 00	20 00	25 00
Reedy Creek	.....	... .	....	.....	100 00	.....	.....
Sharon	.... ..	.. .	..	.....	150 00	.....	.....
Samaria	.....	2 68	....	.....	50 00	10 00	.....
Scotland Neck	250 00	5 50	5 00	5 00	600 00	100 00	25 00
Shiloh	.. ..	.....	....	.. ..	100 00	160 00	.....
Warrenton	.....	16 21	....	25 00	900 00	60 00	.....
Weldon	.....	.. .	....	.....	200 00	.....	.....
	257 25	30 89	5 00	27 25	4,100 00	847 10	171 00

For further information, see Report of Finance Committee.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	COUNTIES	Sabbath of Preaching.	Additi'n			Dim't'n			White Males.	White Females.	Total Whites.	Colored.	Total.	PASTOR AND HIS P O.	CLERK AND HIS P. O.
			Baptized.	Rec'd by Let.	Restored.	Dis. by Let'r.	Excluded.	Deceased							
Antioch	Halifax	1st	10	..	2	5	..	2	25	74	99	2	101	J. A. Pitchford, Warrent'n	H. A. Sledge, Brinkleyv'e
Bear Swamp	Halifax	.....	17	..	..	3	..	..	17	27	44	29	73	N. A. Purefoy, Warrenton	Clerk not given
Brown's	Warren	2nd	1	1	1	..	..	1	13	44	57	80	137	" "	John Watson, Warrenton
Conoconary	Halifax	1 2 3	4	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	...	...	T. R. Owen, Tarboro	J. R. Pope, Scotland Neck
Cypress Chapel	Franklin	4th	...	3	1	1	..	..	12	36	48	4	52	P. H. Pernell, Louisburg	M. R. Moore, Louisburg.
Corinth	"	3rd	5	5	1	..	3	..	32	54	86	...	86	W. A. Barrett, Frankl'n	A D. Ellis, Pugh's Hill.
Cedar Rock	"	1st	33	3	..	2	..	..	38	37	75	...	75	G. W. Newell, Mapleville	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar R'k
Gardner's	Warren	1st	3	2	..	1	1	2	27	71	98	...	98	N. A. Purefoy, Warrenton	J. W. Shearin, Macon Dep't
Greenville	Pitt	1&4	...	1	..	..	..	2	10	53	63	...	63	Thos. Carrick, Greenville	L. W. Lawrence, Greenv'e
Enfield	Halifax	2nd	5	1	..	1	..	..	...	.....	...	...	....	R. T. Vann, Enfield	R. E. Riddick, Enfield
Free Chapel	Nash	....	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	...	32	.....	T. A. Bone
Hamilton	Martin	....	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
Harris' Chapel	Halifax	3rd	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	...	...	...	A. G. Willcox, Brinklyv'e	Ed. Shearin
Hickory Chapel	Nash	3rd	...	1	..	2	..	..	33	45	78	...	78	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston	B. F. Drake, Battleboro.
Louisburg	Franklin	1&3	2	..	..	1	..	1	22	32	54	...	54	C. A Jenkens, Franklint'n	E. W. Timberlake, Lou's'g
Littleton	Halifax	2nd	3	6	..	..	3	1	55	58	113	...	113	D. A. Glenn, Wake For't	W. S. Bobbitt, Littleton
Maple Spring	Franklin	4th	5	4	..	1	3	2	35	65	100	20	120	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston	W. C. Lankford, Louisb'g
Mt. Zion	"	1st	29	1	..	1	2	2	41	66	107	...	107	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston	A. J. Carr, Laurel
Mt. Olivet	"	...	...	..	..	1	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	.....	.....
Nashville	Nash	...	2	..	..	..	..	..	3	4	7	...	7	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston	L. M. Conyers, Nashville
New Bethel	Warren	1st	6	..	1	..	11	1	44	66	110	...	110	M. R. Pernell, Franklint'n	E. W. Green, Louisburg.
New Hope	Wilson	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	51	41	92	...	92	M. R Pernell, Franklint'n	J. S. Rice, Wilson
Peach Tree	Nash	1st	9	..	5	9	3	...	76	152	228	67	295	Daniel Wester, Louisburg	H. M. Warren, Spring H'pe

Philadelphia...	Nash ..	2nd	17	1	2	6	2	..	41	74	115	2	117	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston	J. V. Bunting, Hilliardst'n
Pleasant Grove	Nash ...	4th	16	1	7	3	..	2	53	85	138	6	144	M. R. Pernell, Franklint'n	Z. R. Hinton, Nashville, .
Poplar Spring..	Franklin.	3rd	30	..	3	2	1	1	91	184	275	35	310	A. F. Purefoy, Wake For't	J. H. Chevis, Louisburg .
Pine Forest....	Martin....	1st	8	..	..	..	2	..	13	27	40	....	40	.. ..	J. A. Whitley, Williams'n
Red Bud.....	Franklin.	2nd	20	..	5	5	1	5	59	126	185	2	187	P. H. Pernell, Louisburg.	Sam. Harper, Castalia...
Red Oak.....	Nash.....	3rd	2	3	..	..	1	1	30	49	79	...	79	J. G. Barkley, Rocky Mt.	E. T. Barkley, Rocky Mt.
Reedy Creek....	Warren..	....	18	2	1	8	2	1	53	100	153	9	162	J. A. Pitchford, Warrent'n	T. J. Pitchford. Warren'n
Rock Spring...	Franklin.	1st	4	..	..	2	1	..	28	50	78	...	78	P. H. Pernell, Louisburg	J. H. Odum, Louisburg..
Samaria..... ..	Nash....	2nd	2	..	1	2	..	..	25	65	90	2	92	W. C. Nowell, Earpsboro,	Wesley Prviett, Stanhope.
Sandy Creek...	Franklin.	3rd	17	1	1	2	5	3	53	116	169	4	173	J. A. Pitchford, Warrent'n	N. Davis. Cedar Rock.. .
Sharon..... ...	Warren..	1st	...	..	..	8	1	3	48	90	138	...	138	D. A. Glenn, Wake For'st	P. R. Perkinson, War Pl'ns
Tarboro..	Edgec'be	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	...	...	... .	.....
Turkey Branch.	Nash...	2nd	..	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	J. G. Barkley, Rocky Mt.	D. C. Thrower, Enfield..
Warrenton.....	Warren..	Eve	...	..	..	2	...	..	46	77	123	...	123	J. A. Mundy, Warrenton	J. M. Waddill, Warrenton
Wilson....	Wilson...	...	1	1	..	3	3	..	28	37	65	...	65	T. R. Owen, Tarboro....	D. L. Hardy, Wilson ....
Zion.....	Halifax..	1,2,3	18	2	..	1	1	1	54	62	116	1	117	J. D Hufham, Scotl. N'k	L. W. Bagley, Scotl. Neck
Shiloh (col.) ..	Granville	2nd	73	1	2	6	11	4	...	....	....	557	557	Jeff. Burwell, Kittrell's..	Handy Crudup, Kittrell's.
			370	..	..	.	..	35	..	....	3223	820	4075		

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PROCEEDINGS.

PEACH TREE BAPTIST CHURCH,
NASH COUNTY, N. C., October 7th, 1880.

The Tar River Baptist Association convened with this church to-day in its semi-centennial session.

The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder R. T. Vann, in the absence of Elder Thomas Carrick, from Rev. 7th ch. parts of 14th and 15th verses: "These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple."

After an intermission, the Association convened: religious exercises were conducted by Elder J. E. Carter.

Bro. G. W. Blount was appointed Reading Clerk, and Brethren John W. Allen and W. B. Coppedge a committee of Finance.

The churches were then called, the letters read, and delegates enrolled as follows:

ANTIOCH—William Parker and J. W. Hardy.
BEAR SWAMP—W. E. Bowers, J. H. Crawley and J. C. Marks.
BROWN'S—J. W. Allen, John Watson and J. W. Tunstall.
CONOCONARY—J. C. Randolph, H. H. Rasberry and Dr. J. R. Pope.
CYPRESS CHAPEL—A. C. Stallings, A. A. Sledge and H. W. Wilder.
CORINTH—P. J. Dement and Elder M. R. Pernell.
CEDAR ROCK—J. A. Coppedge, R. D. Bowden and W. J. Johnson.
GARDNER'S—J. W. Robertson and J. W. Shearin.
GREENVILLE—Letter.
ENFIELD—Elder R. T. Vann.
FREE CHAPEL—D. W. Gardner and T. A. Boone.
HAMILTON—Not represented.
HARRIS' CHAPEL—W. E. Mabry, S. W. Hamlet and H. L. Quarles.
HICKORY CHAPEL—H. B. S. Pitt and J. Mc. Edwards.
LOUISBURG—C. M. Cooke and William Medlin.
LITTLETON—W. S. Bobbitt and J. A. Carter.
MAPLE SPRING—S. M. Boon, A. W. Jackson and Dr. W. C. Lankford.
MT. ZION—William Cooper, L. E. Bartholomew and A. P. Joyner.
MT. OLIVET—R. S. Jeffreys and C. Wilder.
NASHVILLE—L. M. Conyers and J. M. Henry.

NEW BETHEL—Elder M. R. Pernell.
NEW HOPE—B. D. Rice and Goodman Lewis.
PEACH TREE—J. T. Webb, J. B. Privett and W. F. May.
PHILADELPHIA—H. G. Leonard, Daniel Taylor and J. V. Bunting.
PLEASANT GROVE—Elijah Coggin, William Hinton and D. Braswell.
POPLAR SPRING—J. C. White and J. M. White.
PINE FOREST—Rev. W. B. Knight.
RED BUD—T. S. Collins and R. W. Lancaster.
REHOBOTH—J. W. Ellen, J. P. Ellen and A. P. Dozier.
REEDY CREEK—S. E. Lancaster, J. H. Davis and Dr. T. J. Pitchford.
ROCK SPRING—R. Perry, S. R. Perry and L. Allen,
SAMARIA—J. W. Valentine, Burtis Cone and J. M. Strickland.
SANDY CREEK—Newton Davis, E. M. Gupton and J. J. Ward.
SHARON—J. J. Shearin.
TARBORO—J. L. Battle.
TURKEY BRANCH—Wiley Johnson and D. C. Thrower.
WARRENTON—Elder J. A. Mundy.
WILSON—H. C. Moss, Eugene Jordan and E. B. Mayo.
ZION—W. H. Ragsdale.
Shiloh (col.)—Handy Crudup and Lewis Hawkins.
MINISTERS PRESENT, EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION—M. R Pernell, P. H. Pernell, R. T. Vann, J. A. Mundy, G. M. Duke, J. A. Pitchford, J. E. Carter, Daniel Wester, G. W. Coppedge, A. G. Wilcox, W. B. Knight, D. A. Glenn, Dr. J. D. Hufham, W. B. Royall. W. P. Blake, Licentiate.

Antioch and Maple Spring petitioned for the next Association.

The Association was then permanently organized by electing Dr. Thos. J. Pitchford Moderator, and Dr. W. C. Lankford Clerk and Treasurer.

The following visiting brethren accepted seats: Elder J. S. Purefoy, J. C. Lee and T. T. Hall, Central Association; N. B. Broughton, Raleigh Association, and *special representative* of the BIBLICAL RECORDER.

The following churches petitioned for membership into this body: Aurelian Spring, Roanoke, Warren Plains, Ephesus and Rocky Mount.

Elders Mundy, Vann and Pitchford were appointed a committee to examine the Articles of Faith of these churches and report.

The Pastor and Deacons of this church were appointed a committee on Religious Exercises.

Brethren Lankford, Pitchford and Cooke were appointed a Committee of Arangements.

Prayer by Elder J. S. Purefoy. Adjourned.

FRIDAY MORNING.

The Association was opened with prayer by Elder G. W. Coppedge.

Letters were read from several churches that did not report yesterday, and their delegates enrolled.

The committee on New churches reported, recommending the admission of them all. The report was adopted, and the right hand of fellowship extended to the delegates by the Moderator on behalf of the Association.

The following brethren were appointed a committee to Nominate Standing Committees: P. H. Pernell, W. T. Dean and L. M. Conyers;

And the following to Nominate Ministers to preach stated sermons: G. W. Blount, W. E. Bowers and Calvin Wilder.

The Committee of Arrangements reported the following Order of Business, which was adopted:

1. Meet at 10 o'clock a. m; adjourn at 12:30 p. m. Meet at 1:30 p. m, and adjourn at will.
2. Appoint a committee to select ministers to preach stated sermons, and a committee to nominate standing committees.
3. Report on State Mission, Ministerial Education, Periodicals and Sunday Schools.
4. Report of Committee on Foreign Missions.
5. Printing Minutes.
6. Report of Finance Committee, and Treasurer of the Executive Committee, and of the Treasurer of the Association.
7. Select time and place of next Association.
8. Report of committees to select ministers to preach stated sermons, and to nominate standing committees.
9. Appoint delegates to Baptist State Convention.
10. Report of Historian.
11. Miscellaneous business.
12. Report on Associational Missions made special order for 2 o'clock to-day.
13. Semi-centennial exercises at 10 o'clock Sunday morning.

The report on State Missions (see Appendix A) was read by Elder P. H. Pernell, and discussed by Bro. Broughton, who stated that the State Board had expended $325 within the bounds of our Association, and that the Board was in debt. The report was adopted.

Elder J. A. Mundy read the report on Ministerial Education, which was made the special order for to-morrow at 10 o'clock a. m. (See Appendix B.)

The report on Periodicals was read by Elder Vann. (See Appendix C.) Bro. Broughton stated that the BIBLICAL RECORDER was more extensively circulated now than ever before. The publishers and editors were laboring to make it acceptable to all. He thought Bro. Bailey was the hardest worked man in the denomination. The RECORDER is as large as any paper in the State, and has the largest circulation.

Bro. Purefoy always felt at home, and met with intelligence and success, in families that were visited by the RECORDER. He thought $2.00 invested in that would result in more good to a family of children than $10 or $12 in schools. The report was further discussed by Brethren Cooke, Willcox, Avera and Wester, and then adopted.

Bro. W. H. Avera from the Eastern Association, and Prof. C. E. Taylor from Wake Forest College, were invited to seats.

Bro, Goodman Lewis, from New Hope, was excused from further attendance.

The report on Associational Missions (Appendix D.) was read by Elder Hufham. Reports from those who had labored in this field were made by Elders Vann, Carter, Duke, Pitchford, Knight and Wilcox.

Elder Carter rejoiced to get back home among North Carolina Baptists. This would soon be the *banner* State of the South in Missions. He had been laboring for years in the rich blue-grass region of Kentucky, where the population was nearly all Baptist, but the *long-leaf pine, tar-heel* Baptists of North Carolina gave twice as much for Missions. He came back here to *work*, and prayed God to prosper our efforts.

Elder Pitchford had been published as a slanderer and a liar for making a truthful assertion about a portion of his mission field, but the truth of God's word was now carrying light into this region. He did not pray for dying grace, but for living and working grace, He made it the rule of his life to speak a word about God to every stranger with whom he converses, if it is only for five minutes. His work was encouraging.

Elder Duke was laboring with success at Nashville and Battleboro.

Elder Knight was at Plymouth, Hamilton, Pine Forest and Jamesville. He was the *last* Baptist preacher this side of Liverpool, going east; his field was a large one, but he wanted to work as long as he lived—and if he did not work he ought not to live.

Elder Hufham ascertained that last year's pledges were more than realized. The following pledges were then made for Associational Missions, to be paid at next meeting:

Antioch	$ 15 00
Bear Swamp	100 00
Brown's	50 00
Conoconary	50 00
J. C. Randolph	55 00
D. J. R. Pope and H. H. Rasberry	10 00
Cypress Chapel	10 00
Corinth	30 00
Cedar Rock	30 00
Gardner's	25 00
Greenville	25 00
Hickory Chapel (to its delegates)	20 00
Harriss' Chapel	15 00
Louisburg	100 00
Littleton	30 00
Maple Spring (ladies)	25 00
Mt. Zion	60 00
Mt. Olivet (C. Wilder)	5 00
New Bethel	00
Peach Tree	25 00
J. T. Webb	100 00
J. V. Bunting	5 00
Pleasant Grove	5 00
Poplar Spring	35 00
Red Bud	15 00
Rehoboth	10 00
Reedy Creek	25 00
Rock Spring	25 00
Samaria	10 00
Sandy Creek ($2 paid)	12 00
Warrenton	50 00
Wilson	100 00
Zion,	200 00
Shiloh, (col.)	10 00
Rocky Mount, (Pastor)	100 00
Aurelian Springs,	5 00
Weldon,	5 00
Warren Plains,	5 00
J. A. Mundy,	25 00
G. M. Duke,	25 00
R. T. Vann,	25 00
P. H. Pernell,	5 00
W G. Speight,	5 00
Tarboro and Rocky Mount,	25 00
M. R. Pernell,	5 00
A. G. Willcox,	5 00
A. W. Jackson,	5 00
W. E. Bowers,	25 00
A friend,	2 50
John Watson,	25 00
N. Biggs,	25 00
J. A. Pitchford,	5 00
Daniel Wester,	5 00
J. E. Conway,	5 00
W. B. Royall, (paid)	5 00
S. S. Sykes	5 00
R. B. Salisbury,	10 00
J. C. Beal,	5 00
W. B. Knight,	5 00
J. B. Brewer,	25 00
Sharon,	10 00
G. T. Coley,	5 00
C. N. F. Ellen,	2 00
Jordan Coppedge,	5 00

The Executive Committee reported.

Bro. G. W. Blount was elected Auditor of the Association, and the report was submitted to his inspection.

It was ordered that 1,600 copies of the minutes be printed, and the Clerk to receive $15.00 for his services.

Antioch Church in Halifax, and Thursday before the 2d Sunday in October, 1881, was selected as the place and time for next meeting of the Association.

Prayer by Elder Duke. Adjourned.

Services at 11 o'clock A. M., in Masonic Lodge, by Elder J. E. Carter. Text, II Thess. ii: 16, 17 : "Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given *us* everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work."

SATURDAY MORNING.

Prayer by Dr. Hufham.

The following additional pledges were made to Associational Missions:

Mrs. Dr. Jackson,	$10 00	J. W. Duke,	2 00
Miss Nora Stallings,	5 00	Red Bud,	5 00
Maple Spring,	25 00	M. S. Duke,	2 50
Ladies of Warrenton ch.,	10 00	S. E. Lancaster,	2 50
Mrs. A. W. Jackson,	5 00	W. E. Bowers, (paid)	5 00
L. S. Allen,	2 00	C. M. Cooke,	5 00
Poplar Spring,	5 00	W. M. Warren,	1 00
Williamston,	5 00	New Hope,	10 00
Hamilton,	5 00	J. C. Randolph,	10 00
Rock Spring,	3 00	A. G. Willcox,	6 00
Nashville,	25 00	W. D. Harris,	3 00
Nick Collins, (cash)	2 00	N. B. Broughton, ($1 paid)	16 00
Right Batchelor, (cash)	1 00	J. A. Pitchford,	2 00
Lewis Pope,	5 00	P. H. Pernell,	2 00
A. P. Dozier,	2 00	R. T. Vann,	5 00
C. M. S. Ellen,	3 00	J. D. Huf ham,	5 00
Wiley Johnson for Turkey Branch,	10 00	H. B. S. Pitt,	5 00
		N. H. Macon, (paid)	1 00

Making the total amount for Associational Missions, ... $1,907 50

The following report on Foreign Missions was read:

The great commission under which Baptists work is that given by the Great Head of the churches to His disciples, to go, therefore, in foreign lands and there proclaim Jesus, is of as binding force as it is to preach at home. To contribute of our means to that end is equally obligatory. Feeling the weight and force of that obligation, our organized bodies—Associations and Conventions—put down in the same category Home and Foreign Missions as objects for which to labor.

We have Boards established to attend to the proper management of the funds raised for each field.

We acquaint ourselves too little with the workings of the Foreign Mission Board. We know too little of the work of those consecrated men who have gone forth in heathen lands to work for the cause of Christ; we think too little of the great work they have in hand; we contribute too little of our means to the furtherance of that work. We see little of the fruits of those labors. We hope to learn more, and we invite discussion of these matters from those who do know, in the hope that a larger interest may be manifested by those who profess to be Missionary Baptists.

G. W. BLOUNT,
For Committee.

This subject was ably discussed by Elder Carter. He reviewed the whole Foreign Mission field, telling what great things had been accomplished, giving information on the work now being done, and closed with an eloquent appeal that electrified the vast audience.

Prof. Taylor proposed a collection for this object, heading it with five dollars, which soon amounted to $56.31.

The Denominational Sermon was preached by Elder G. M. Duke. Text: 12th verse, 8th chapter of Acts: "But

when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized. both men and women." His subject was a converted membership.

The Treasurer of the Executive Committee submitted the following report:

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION,
In Account with NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer:*

1879.			
Oct. 12	To cash paid Elder R. T. Vann,	$ 50	00
Nov. 30	To cash paid Elder C. Durham, expenses to Williamston, N. C.,	15	00
1880.			
Jan. 11.	To cash paid Elder G. M. Duke, for services at Nashville and Battleboro,	150	00
Feb. 20.	To cash paid Elder R. T. Vann, for services at Weldon and Halifax	300	00
M'ch 8.	To cash paid W. B. Knight, for services at Martin co.,	200	00
	" " " C. L. Powell, for services at Pantego,	50	00
	" " " A.G. Willcox, for services at Harriss' Store,	50	00
	" " " J. A. Pitchford, for services at Aurelian Springs,	100	00
Ap'il 24.	To cash paid J. E. Carter, for services at Tarboro and Rocky Mount	266	66
July 5.	To cash paid J. E. Hutson, for expenses at Weldon, Halifax and Enfield,	50	00
	To cash paid Thomas Carrick, at Washington,	100	00

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Oct. 12.	By cash on hand this day,	$ 65	96	
	" " received from Clerk,	1,226	00	
	" " " " Elder A. McDowell,	10	00	
	" " " " Bertie Union Meeting	83	34	
To amount due Association this day,		53	44	
		$1,385	30	$1,385 30

Examined and found correct.
[Signed) G. W. BLOUNT, Auditor.

The following brethren were then appointed on the Executive Committee: C. M. Cooke, J. T. Webb, J. B. Brewer, John Watson, Noah Biggs, J. A. Whitley and John Randolph. Noah Biggs re-appointed Treasurer.

The Finance Committee made the following report, which was adopted:

CHURCHES.	Minute Fund.	Education Board.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Associational Fund.
Antioch,	$ 1 45	$	$	$	$ 30 00
Aurelian Spring,	1 00				5 00
Bear Swamp,	2 00	10 00	12 12	5 00	85 00
Brown's,	2 00				50 00
Conoconary,	2 50				50 00
Cypress Chapel,	1 00				5 00
Corinth,	2 00				36 65
Enfield,	1 00		5 00		25 00
Gardner's,	2 50				25 00
Free Chapel,	1 00				
Harriss' Chapel,	1 00			2 32	
Hickory Chapel,	2 00				13 00
Louisburg,	3 00	10 00	10 00		100 00
Littleton,	2 00				16 35
Maple Spring,	2 75	7 00	2 00		49 00
Mt. Zion,	2 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	50 00
Mt. Olivet,	1 00			3 00	
Nashville,	1 00				
New Bethel,	2 00				6 00
New Hope,					
Peach Tree,	2 05			4 37	25 00
Philadelphia,	2 00		75	1 00	
Pleasant Grove,	2 00				
Poplar Spring,	2 00				30 00
Pine Forest,	1 00				10 00
Reedy Creek,	2 00				25 00
Rock Spring,	1 50				25 00
Red Bud,	2 00				10 00
Rehoboth,	1 50				15 00
Roanoke,	1 00				
Rocky Mount,					
Samaria,	1 00		1 30		5 00
Sandy Creek,	1 50				17 00
Sharon,	2 50				
Tarboro,	1 50				
Turkey Branch,	1 00		* 4 00		2 00
Warrenton,	3 50				62 50
Wilson,	2 00		5 00	5 00	100 00
Zion,	2 50				225 00
Shiloh, (col)	3 00			2 00	
Ephesus,	50				
Warren Plains,	2 00				5 00
Greenville,	1 50				22 25
Cedar Rock	2 50		5 00		25 00
P. H. Pernell,					5 00
A. W. Jackson,					5 00
S. M. Boon,					5 00
A. G. Willcox,					10 00
J. V. Bunting,					5 00
M. S. Griffin,					5 00
M. C. Strickland,					5 00

CHURCHES.	Minute Fund.	Education Board.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Associational Mission.
C.M.Cooke, E.W. Timberlake and J.H. Upperman					25 00
R. T. Vann,					30 00
J. T. Webb,					100 00
Thomas Carrick,					5 00
Daniel Wester,					5 00
W. B. Royall,					†5 00
Rocky Mount,	1 00				
Z. R. Hinton,					5 00
Nick Collie, cash on 1881,					2 00
Nick Batchelor " "					1 00
Turner Allen " "					2 50
W. D. Coppedge,					5 00
Williamson Church,	1 00				
	$ 77 25	$ 28 00	$ 47 17	$ 24 69	$ 1,375 25

*$2 for 1881. †$2 for Yates' Bible translation. ‡ for 1881.

The report on Ministerial Education was taken from the table. Prof. C. E. Taylor explained the object and manner of educating young men who are called of God to preach, and who are not able to educate themselves. He completely refuted the idea that Wake Forest College is a preacher manufactory. The subject was further discussed by Elders Duke, Pitchford and Vann, when the following subscription was taken in cash and pledges:

Noah Biggs,	paid	$10 00	Cash,		50
J. T. Webb,	"	10 00	R. T. Vann,		10 00
—— Edwards,	"	1 00	J. E. Carter,		10 00
John Watson,	"	10 00	J. J. Murray,		1 00
W. E. Bowers,	"	10 00	J. M. Neal,		1 00
J. A. Mundy,	"	10 00	G. M. Duke,		10 00
B. F. Bass,	"	2 00	P. H. Pernell,		10 00
—— Warren,	"	1 00	A. G. Willcox for Reedy C'k		10 00
R. S. Jeffreys,	"	1 00	Maple Spring,		10 00
A. C. Stallings,	"	1 00	Littleton,		10 00
H. B. S. Pitt,	"	1 00	J. D Huf ham,		10 00
Calvin Wilder,	"	1 00	Philadelphia,		10 00
W. Medlin,	"	1 00	Cash.		2 00
A. G. Willcox,	"	1 00	J. H. Valentine,		2 00
Thomas Dean,	"	1 00	Unknown,		1 00
Total,					$158 05

Report on Education adopted.

The Treasurer submitted the following report:

Received of former Treasurer, $38.34, less 19 cents for paper,	$	38 15
" for Minute fund,		66 35
" for Education Board,		27 00
" for Foreign Missions,		20 97
" for State Missions,		16 26
" collection for Bro. G. W. Coppedge,		24 00
" " at Methodist Church for State Missions,		7 38

Paid to Jordan Womble, Jr., for State Missions,	$ 23 64	
" " " for Foreign Missions,	20 97	
" " " for Education Board,	1 00	
" Bro. G. W. Coppedge,	50 00	
" Edwards, Broughton & Co., for minutes,	48 97	
Postage, paper, &c.,	85	
Clerk's fee and transcribing minutes,	16 20	
By cash on hand,	38 38	
	$200 01	$200 01

The report was audited by Bro. John Randolph, and found correct.

The committee on Standing Committees reported as follows:

To write on Foreign Missions—R. T. Vann, Noah Biggs.
To write on State Missions—G. M. Duke, J. V. Bunting.
To write on Associational Missions—J. D. Hufham, J. A. Pitchford.
To write on Ministerial Education—C. M. Cooke, E. W. Timberlake.
To write on Sunday Schools—J A. Coppedge, J. T. Webb.
To write on Temperance—J. E. Carter, H. C. Moss.

The committee on Stated Sermons reported as follows:

For Introductory Sermon—Elder W. P. Blake; Alternate, G. M. Duke.
For Missionary Sermon—Eld. J. D. Hufham; Alternate, J. A. Mundy.
For Denominational Sermon—Elder J. E. Carter; Alternate, N. A. Purefoy.

We suggest that the Missionary Sermon be preached on Saturday at 11 o'clock, and the doctrinal sermon on Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Respectfully and fraternally,

G. W. BLOUNT,
For Committee.

Report adopted.

Those who desire to attend the Baptist State Convention as delegates, were requested to report their names to the Clerk. The following did so: J. B. Brewer, R. T. Vann, A. G. Willcox, J. T. Webb, W. E. Bowers. Vernon I'Anson.

The following was offered:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be and are hereby tendered to the brethren and citizens of this vicinity for the kind and hospitable manner in which its members have been entertained during its session.

This was amended by including a vote of thanks to the Moderator and Clerk, and adopted.

Prayer by Elder J. S. Purefoy.

[NOTE.—There was such a press for time that the report on Sunday Schools was left open.

SUNDAY MORNING.

A vast audience assembled to witness the Semi-Centennial Exercises.

The Moderator read a brief history of the Association from its organization to the present time, commenting thereon.

Elder Daniel Wester gave entertaining reminiscences of his connection with the Association from its beginning in 1831.

The Clerk read a letter from the late Dr. James B. Taylor to his wife, written in 1831, from Peach Tree church. He spoke of Worrel, Crocker, Willcox and Waitt,—pilgrims who have gone before. Dr. Pitchford, Elder Wester, and a few others only, stand like lone sentinels upon the out-post, awaiting the command of the great Captain of their Salvation to retire. The great army of Baptists of their day, have fallen upon a field of glory! They but wait to join the chorus of their former comrades on the other side!

These brethren spoke of the *past* of our Association.

Elder Jos. E. Carter spoke for thirty minutes in his electrifying manner, of our *present* and *future*. If it was not wrong for the Apostle Paul to "boast" of the liberality of the Corinthians, he would boast of the great zeal and liberality of the ministers and laity of the Tar River Association. God is offering them great opportunities. More churches have been constituted in our bounds in the last eighteen months than Paul ever heard of. Looking to God, great things may be expected in the future.

Elder J. S. Purefoy had a three minutes speech, and

Bro. N. B. Broughton closed in a short address. When he can forget that he is the representative of the RECORDER long enough to make a speech, his soul bursts out in such pathos as rarely fails to melt his audience to tears.

A contribution amounting to $10.11 for Education Board was taken.

A song, a general hand-shaking, amid smiles and tears, and the sad good bye was spoken; and the Semi-Centennial Session was ended.

THOS. J. PITCHFORD, MODERATOR.
W. C. LANKFORD, *Clerk.*

SERVICES.

Elder C. E. Taylor preached on Saturday morning in the Masonic Lodge; text not obtained, but his subject was Naaman the leper.

Elder J. A. Mundy preached on Sunday at 11 o'clock, at the same place. Text 2 Cor. 4 ch. 16 verse: "For which cause we faint not: but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day." He dwelt upon the growth of the soul.

Licentiate W. P. Blake preached on Friday morning; text not obtained.

Some of the ministers preached at night at private houses.

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX A.

We, the members of Tar River Association, profess to be a Missionary body, and when we view the great work which is being pressed forward by this body, it verily seems as if there is a spirit of missions among us. and it makes our heart swell with profound gratitude when we behold the great good which has been and is now being done in the bounds of our own Association.

While we feel that the brethren have been very liberal in giving of their means to carry on the work in our midst, let us not forget there are other fields in North Carolina that are destitute of Baptist preaching.

As Christ commanded his disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel, let us, as far as it is possible, send this glorious gospel to those that are not blessed as we are While we strive to imitate our Great Head and leader who went about doing good, may we not confine our efforts to do good to those at home, but may our hearts go out in love and sympathy to all parts of our beloved State. There are vast fields of destitution in North Carolina that ought and must be occupied by us, and in order that this may be done, it not only requires our sympathy, but our earnest prayers, and a portion of the means which God has committed to our charge. The State Mission Board has this year about twenty missionaries in its employment. It pays to this Association $325. The Board is a little in debt. It will take some $350 to pay out. We do hope and trust that before the Convention meets that this amount will be sent up.

P. H. PERNELL,
A W. JACKSON.

APPENDIX B.

Your committee discovers a growing interest on the part of the churches of this Association in the education of those who give evidence of a Divine call to preach the gospel They are rapidly learning that our Colleges and Theological schools do not propose to manufacture preachers, or in any way impart that internal spiritual fitness which it is the province of the Holy Spirit to impart The prejudices growing out of a misconception of the task undertaken and scrupulously discharged by our institutions of learning are giving away in proportion to the acquaintance of our people with the power of truth upon the lips of those whose hearts are consecrated by the Spirit, and whose heads have been made clear and strong by a well ordered discipline. Fanaticism and formalism in religion may lose their facinations under the scrutiny of a trained eye, but the true principles of Christianity which emanated from wisdom, fears only the abusive handlings of ignorance.

The duty of the minister of Jesus Christ is to teach the things commit-

ted to him in the sacred Scriptures. He is pre-eminently a teacher who comes before the people, as Peter went before Cornelius, to tell them words whereby they shall be saved. In preparing himself for this responsible duty, he will do well to heed the admonition of Paul to his son Timothy: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

And since that truth has come down to us through the medium of written languages, the preacher has to study these languages to render a proper division of truth. This impression is becoming more general, as may be learned from the popularity and influence of those men who have fully equipped themselves for their work, either in the school room or in their private studies

Your committee would also report an increased number of ministerial students at Wake Forest College, and these "above the average in promise of usefulness," as reported to your committee by one who is in a position to know, and who never speaks unadvisedly either with his lips or his pen. This increase in the number of young preachers should stir both our gratitude and liberality. The churches of this Association should set apart special seasons of thanksgiving to God for calling these promising young men into the ministry, and for a liberal offering to the Education Board under whose auspices they are being prepared for their future work. These noble men, who constitute the Board by the appointment of our State Convention, are watching with the deepest solicitude for solid manifestations of our interest in a work which so much commends itself to the consideration of thinking people. They have faith in the wisdom and liberality of their brethren, and have said to those aspiring, devoted young men, "take courage and acquit you like men, the Lord, through the Baptists of North Carolina, will provide for you."

We would urge upon this Association to call upon her churches to send up large contributions to aid the Board in keeping their pledges.

J. A. MUNDY,
J. A. PITCHFORD.

APPENDIX C.

A Baptist church in every community, a Sunday School in every Baptist church, every Baptist family in a Sunday School, and the *Biblical Recorder* in every Baptist family. This should be the motto of North Carolina Baptists. If the last clause of the motto were an accomplished fact, that would go far towards accomplishing the others.

It is gratifying to report the present circulation of our paper larger than that of any other paper in the State, and larger than at any time in its own history. This is much to say, but it is not enough. An educator, a preacher, an organizer, a standard-bearer, the paper is worthy of all acceptation; we beg leave, therefore, to offer the following suggestions: Let every church in the Association appoint from its own members a committee of *one*, whose duty it shall be to canvass the church and community on behalf of the *Recorder*. Let the annual report of this committee be incorporated in the church letter to this Association.

We also recommend that our Sunday Schools use *Kind Words*, and that the *Foreign Mission Journal*, published in Richmond at fifty cents a year, be largely patronized by our brethren.

R. T. VANN,
J. A. MUNDY,
J. R. POPE,
Committee.

APPENDIX D.

During the year your Executive Committee has aided in sustaining eight missionaries.

Elder A. G. Willcox has been preaching once a month at Harriss' Chapel, Halifax county. Arrangements have been perfected for building a house of worship, and several are awaiting the ordinance of baptism.

At Aurelian Springs, Elder J. A. Pitchford has been preaching once a month. A church of fourteen members has been organized, and the brethren at that point are endeavoring to build a house of worship.

Elder R. T. Vann has been preaching once a month at Weldon, Halifax and Enfield. At Weldon four persons have been baptized. At two of these points the indications are sufficiently encouraging.

Elder W. B Knight has been preaching once a month at Hamilton, Jamesville, and Pine Forest. At the first named of these places, a beautiful and comfortable house of worship has been erected, and one person has been baptized.

Elder C. L. Powell has been devoting most of his time to Pantego, Beaufort county, and the surrounding country. We have encouraging accounts from him, though he reports no baptisms.

Elder J. E. Carter has been laboring once a month at Rocky Mount and Tarboro. At the former place a church of twelve members has been organized, and arrangements are being made to build a house of worship. At Tarboro the house of worship, which had become dilapidated, has been thoroughly repaired, and the prospects have brightened everyway.

At Washington the cause had suffered greatly. Under Elder Carrick the house has received some sadly needed repairs, and the little flock is now very hopeful.

Elder G. M. Duke has been preaching once a month at Nashville and Battleboro. He reports encouragement at both places, though he is greatly hindered in his work by the want of houses of worship.

This brief enumeration of the laborers in the home field, and this abstract of the results of their work, are sufficiently gratifying and encouraging, but they exhibit only a tithe of what has been done. We have only cleared the ground for future action.

Meanwhile we are called on to go forward in the blessed work. New fields are opening before us, and calling us to enter them. There should be a considerable increase in the amount of funds raised for next year. Certainly there should be no falling off in this matter.

C. M. COOKE, Chm'n.

Statistical Table.

Churches.	Counties.	Pastor and his P. O.	Clerk and his P. O.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Addi't'ns			Dim'tns			White Males.	White Females	Total Whites.	Colored.	Total.
					Baptism.	Letter.	Restored.	Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.					
Antioch,	Halifax,	J A Pitchford, Littleton	H A Sledge, Brinkleyville	1	2	2	1	7	3	2	23	70	93	2	95
Aurelian Spr'gs	Halifax,	J A Pitchford, Littleton,	JH Connell, Brinkleyville		7						7	7	14		14
Bear Swamp,	Halifax,	V I'Anson, Hicksford, Va	JH Connell, Brinkleyville		23	2				1	33	37	70	27	97
Brown's,	Warren,	D A Glenn, Littleton,	Jno Watson, Warrenton,	2	20			7		33	22	53	75	101	176
Conoconary,	Halifax,	R T Vann, Enfield,	Dr J R Pope, Crowell's,	3	78	6	5		7	3	80	93	173		173
Corinth,	Franklin,	W A Barrett, Franklinton	A D Ellis, Louisburg,	3	10	1		1		2	38	56	94		94
Cedar Rock,	Franklin,	G W Newell, Mapleville,	J A Coppedge, Cedar R'k	1, 3,	13	11					46	53	99		99
Gardner's,	Warren,	D A Glenn, Littleton,	J W Shearin, Macon Dep't	3		5		1		1	28	71	99		99
Greenville,	Pitt,	Thos Carrick, Greenville,	L W Lawrence, Greenville	1 2 4							10	53	63		63
Enfield,	Halifax,	R T Vann, Enfield,	R E Riddick, Enfield,	2		2		1					17		17
Ephesus,															
Free Chapel,	Nash,	J G Barkler, Rocky Mt,	S A Bone, Nashville,	4	8				1		15	23	38		38
Hamilton,	Martin,									1					
Harris' Chapel,	Halifax,	A G Willcox, Brinkleyv'le	Ed Shearin, Arcola,	1	12	5				1			29		29
Hickory Chapel	Nash,	G M Duke, Hilliardston,	B F Drake, Hilliardston,	3	2	2		2	2	2	32	45	77		77
Louisburg,	Franklin,	W B Royall, W F College	E W Timberlake, Louisb'g	1, 2,	1	7			1		24	37	61		61
Littleton,	Halifax,	D A Glenn, Littleton,	W S Bobbitt, Littleton,	4		2		2		2	50	56	106		106
Maple Spring,	Franklin,	G M Duke, Hilliardston,	W C Lankford, Louisburg,	4	8	2		4	2	2	34	67	101	14	115
Mt. Zion,	Franklin,	G M Duke, Hilliardston	A J Carr, Laurel,	1	8	7	1		5	4	48	76	124		124
Mt. Olivet,	Franklin,	E F Beacham, Frankl'tn,	F Tharrington, Frankl'ton	3				2	3		6	27	33		33
Nashville,	Nash,	G M Duke, Hilliardston,	L M Conyers, Nashville,								3	4	7		7
New Bethel,	Warren,	M R Pernell, Franklinton	E W Green, Louisburg,	1				1	3	1	39	63	102		102
New Hope,	Wilson,	M R Pernell, Franklinton	J S Rice, Wilson,		24	2		1	4				113		113
Peach Tree,	Nash,	Danl Wester, Louisburg,	J H Edwards, Castalia	1		1		29	6	4	67	130	197	60	257
Philadelphia,	Nash,	G M Duke, Hilliardston,	J V Bunting, Hilliardston,	2	1	4		8	1		39	72	111	1	112

Pleasant Grove,	Nash,.....	M R Pernell, Franklinton	Z R Hinton, Nashville,..	4	19	1	6	6	6	..	...	. .	144	6	150
Poplar Spring,.	Franklin,...	A F Purefoy, W Forest,.	J H Cheves, Louisburg,.	3	13	13	7	5	..	6	98	168	266	33	299
Pine Forest,....	Martin,.....	W B Knight, Williamston	J A Whitley, Williamston	.....	...	..	..	..	8	1	7	23	30	...	30
Red Bud,.....	Franklin,...	P H Pernell, Louisburg,..	Saml Harper, Castalia ...	2	...	..	3	9	3	3	52	127	179	1	180
*Rehoboth, ...	Nash,.....	P H Pernell, Louisburg,.	E T Barkley, Rocky Mt..	3	4	1		..	7	..	31	51	82	...	82
Reedy Creek,..	Warren, ...	A G Willcox, Brinkleyville	B P Davis, Warrenton,..	3	23	1	1	..	5	1	59	104	163	8	171
Rock Spring,..	Franklin,...	P H Pernell, Louisburg,.	J H Odom, Louisburg,..	1	4	..	..	3	1	..	29	50	79	...	79
Roanoke,.....	Halifax,.....	W P Blake, Weldon,.....	W B Dickens, Weldon,..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	14	31	...	31
Rocky Mount,.	Edgecombe,.	J E Carter, Wilson, ...	H D Avera, Rocky Mt...	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	..	...	..
Samaria,... ...	Nash,.. ...	W C Nowell, Clayton,...	Wesley Privett, Stanhope	2	...	..	..	2	2	1	24	60	84	2	86
Sandy Creek,..	Franklin,....	J A Pitchford, Littleton,.	N Davis Cedar Rock,....	3	...	1	...	1	3	2	50	114	164	3	167
Sharon,.....	Warren, ...	D A Glenn, Littleton,....	P R Perkinson, War'n Pl'ns	1	2	3	..	14	6	3	43	80	123	4	127
Tarboro,... ...	Edgecombe,	J E Carter, Wilson,.....	W W Thomas, Tarboro,.	4	...	5	..	..	.	..	4	8	12	...	12
Turkey Branch,	Halifax, ...	A G Willcox Brinkleyville	D C Thrower, Enfield,..	2	13	..	..	..	.	...	10	7	17	...	17
Warrenton, ...	Warren,....	J A Mundy, Warrenton,.	J M Waddell, Warrenton	ev'y	3	2	..	2	..	..	47	76	123	...	123
Warren Plains,.	Warren,....	D A Glenn, Littleton,....	N B Weldon, Warren Pl'ns	....	...	..	..	..	..	..	17	23	40	....	40
Wilson,..... ...	Wilson,.. ..	J E Carter, Wilson.....	D L Hardy, Wilson,.....	1, 3,	4	9	..	4	1	..	28	45	73	....	73
Zion,..... ..	Halifax,. ...	J D Hufham, Scotl'd N k	L W Bagley, Scotl'd Neck	3	...	4	..	2	2	2	53	57	110	1	111
Cypress Chapel,	Franklin,...	P H Pernell Louisburg,.	M R Moore, Mapleville,..	4	...	1	..	5	..	1	10	29	39	2	41
Shiloh, (col)...	Granville,...	Jeff Burwell, Kittrell's ..	H Crudup, Kittrell's,....	2	14	2	6	5	17	12	...	....	.....	543	543
*Williamston,..	Martin,....	J D Hufham, Scotl'd N'ck	.. ..	....	3	1	..	..	2	..	.....	...	15	...	15
					319								3670	808	4478

*Formerly Red Oak. †The Clerk does not find when this church was received into membership of this body.

W.34 Ellis
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Sabbath School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUP'RINTEND'T	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions.	Volumes.	Number of Kind Words.	Other Papers.	Contributi'ns			Number of Months.	Pastor's Salary.
								Sunday S. Board.	Other Objects.	Total.		
Antioch,.....	J. J. Partin,....	5	25	..	65	....	....	$....	$....	$....	....	$.....
Brown's,.....	Nat. Allen,.....	10	50	..	30	25	....	.....	.....	.....	12	150 00
Cedar Rock,....	J. A. Coppedge,	10	55	7	100	12	55	3 00	10 71	13 71	12	100 00
Cedar Rock, ...	W. J. Johnson,.	6	30	..	25	....	20	.....	5 00	5 00	12	.....
Cedar Rock,....	R. D. Bowden,.	5	25	..	....	....	12	.....	1 00	1 00	6	.....
Corinth, ...	A. D. Ellis,.....	....	70	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	100 00
Conoconary,...	J. C. Randolph,	12	60	25	....	20	15	.....	.....	30 00	.....	200 00
Conoconary,...	H. H. Rasberry	5	38	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
Conoconary,...	W. P. Whitaker	8	45	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
Cypress Chapel,	W. J. Wilder,..	6	35	..	139	....	....	.....	.....	.....	10	40 00
Cypress Chapel,	A. A. Sledge,...	6	54	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....
Enfield,.....	F. J. Dennis,...	3	12	..	48	10	....	.....	.....	.....	12	100 00
Gardner's,.....	J. R. Rodwell,..	14	55	3	70	....	....	.....	.....	.....	8	150 00
Greenville,.....	.....	9	60	..	..	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	500 00
Littleton,.....	B. R. Browning	6	35	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	6	175 00
Louisburg, ...	C. M. Cooke,....	10	75	.	40	....	....	.....	.....	.....	12	450 00
Maple Spring,...	W. C Lankford	5	40	..	100	....	..	.....	.....	.....	10	150 00
Maple Spring,..	B. M. Ball,.....	5	50	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	10	.....
Mt. Olivet.....	C. H Sandlin,..	7	47	..	....	....	....	....	....	10 00	10	113 00
Mt. Zion, ...	W. T. Cooper,..	12	91	4	160	....	....	.....	.....	.....	5	75 00
New Bethel,....	William Dickie	6	40	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	8	100 00
Peach Tree,.....	J. T. Webb,.....	8	85	2	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	10	100 00
Philadelphia,..	T. P. Leonard, .	8	41	..	50	....	100	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
Pleasant Grove,	One school,.....	....	.....	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	12	100 00
Poplar Spring,..	J. H. Cheves,...	25	230	..	100	....	14	.....	.....	.....	5	.....
Red Bud, ...	E. T. Pullen,....	15	90	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	90 00
Rehoboth,.....	C. N. Flewellin,	5	30	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	12	.....
Rock Spring,...	W. D. Harris, ..	10	50	..	100	.....	10	.....	.....	20 00	12	.....
Sandy Creek,...	J. J. Ward,.....	13	68	..	800	....	....	5 00	3 00	8 00	8	.....
Sandy Creek,...	B. Collins,.....	8	40	..	100	....	....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
Samaria,.....	B. T. Strickland	9	142	..	....	....	7	.....	.....	.....	12	60 00
Sharon,.....	J. H. Hicks,....	5	50	..	150	....	17	.....	.....	.....	9	150 00
Shiloh, (col.)...	Mingo Crudup,.	5	30	10	25	50	...	.....	.....	.....	9	125 00
Warren Plains,	G. W. P. Cates,.	8	38	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	40 00
Warrenton, ...	L. A. Williams,	13	70	..	300	....	30	.....	.....	.....	....	900 00
Williamston,...	D. Worthington	4	24	..	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....
Wilson,.....	G. W. Blount,..	6	50	..	150	30	....	.....	.....	.....	....	500 00
Zion,.....	L. W. Bagley,..	28	200	..	106	60	40	75	75	.....	12	.....
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PROCEEDINGS.

ANTIOCH, October 6th, 1881.

The fifty first session of the Tar River Association met with the church at Antioch to-day.

The Introductory sermon was preached by Rev. W. P. Blake. Text, Revelation, 21st chapter, 9th, 10th and part of 11th verses.

Elder Pitchford, on behalf of the church and community, extended to the delegates and visitors a gracious welcome.

After an intermission of an hour, the Association was called to order; and in the absence of the former Moderator and Clerk, Brother J. T. Webb was elected Moderator, and A. G. Willcox, Clerk *pro tem.*

The roll of churches was then called, and the following delegates enrolled:

Antioch—F. A. Smith, W. H. Parker, Jos. J. Partin.
Aurelian Springs—W. E. Conway.
Bear Swamp—R. J. Harvey, Wm. Sales, R. C. Hamlet.
Brown's—I. W. Allen, James A. Perdue, Joseph N. Tunstill.
Conoconary—E. C. Pitman, A. J. Parks, I. A. Pope.
Cypress Chapel—C. Harriss, A. A. Sledge.
Corinth—T. S. Carroll, E. W. Burrows, N. H. Hunt.
Cedar Rock—R. B. Gilliam, A. Parish.
Gardner's—John Nicholson, James W. Roberson.
Greenville—Thomas Carrick.
Enfield—F. J. Dennis, S. S. Alsop.
Ephesus—J. T. Webb, W. N. Warren, W. P. Lamb.
Free Chapel—J. W. Mosley, I. S. Batchelor, G. N. Langley.
Hamilton—By letter.
Harriss' Chapel—B. Y. Harriss, W. E. Mabry, H. S. Qualls.
Hickory—J. D. Johnson, W. H. Sexton.
Louisburg—C. M. Cook, William Medlin, William Medlin, Jr.
Littleton—B. R. Browering, L. D. King.
Maple Springs—N. H. Macon, A. W. Jackson, W. T. Wilder.
Mt Zion—W. B. Joyner, W. T. Cooper.
Mt. Olivet—Calvin Wilder, Henry Wilson.
Nashville—
New Bethel—E. W. Green, S. J. Matthews.
New Hope—John T. Johnson, Henry B. Farmer.
Peach Tree—R. A. Moore.
Philadelphia—W. G. Wheless, L. W. Hedgepeth.
Pleasant Grove—Gideon Coggin, A. S. Bain.
Poplar Springs—Sydney Alford.
Pine Forest—By letter.
Red Bud—S. R. Pearce, D. B. Pearce, I. H. Colbert.
Rehoboth—J. G. Barkley, J. C. Beal, I. P. Ellen.

Reedy Creek--Mark C. Duke, Stephen Duke, John Harris.
Rock Springs--J. H. Odum, J. J. Bobbitt, O. B. Wilder.
Roanoke--W. P. Blake, W. E Daniel.
Rocky Mount--H. D. Avery.
Samaria--By letter.
Sandy Creek—J. J. Ward, E. M. Gupton.
Sharon—Rev. L. C. Perkinson.
Tarboro—By letter.
Turkey Branch--C. Carlisle, William West, T. N. Butts.
Warrenton--J. R Johnson, J. A. Mundy.
Warren Plains—N. B. Wildon, S. P. Fleming.
Wilson--James Murray, J. E. Carter
Zion--Noah Biggs, John Lawrence, S. W. Edwards.
Shiloh, (*Colored*)—Handy Crudup, Lewis Hawkins, George Day.

Corinth, Littleton, Rocky Mount, Sharon and Zion churches petition for the Association next year.

On motion of Bro. James A. Pitchford, a committee of three was appointed to enquire into the covenants and articles of faith of the churches asking admission into our body.

The Moderator appointed Brethren Hufham, Duke and Pitchford said committee.

The Association went into the permanent organization by unanimously electing J. T. Webb, Moderator, and A. G. Willcox, Clerk and Treasurer *pro tem.*

Invitation extended to visiting brethren and accepted by Dr. T. H. Pritchard, President of Wake Forest College, and Rev. C. T. Bailey, Editor of the *Biblical Recorder.*

The pastor and deacons of Antioch church were appointed a committee on Religious Exercises.

Brethren C. M. Cook, John Watson and Noah Biggs were appointed a committee of Arrangements.

A communication from the former Clerk and Treasurer was referred to a committee.

On motion, the Association adjourned until to-morrow 10 o'clock.

The following ministers, *ex officio* members of the Association, were present:

J. D Hufham, J. A. Mundy, J. E. Carter, A. G. McManaway, Thos. Carrack, W. P. Blake, G. M. Duke, J. A. Pitchford, G. W. Coppedge, M. V. McDuffie, P. R. Pernell, Daniel Wester, A. G. Willcox, J. G. Barkley, R. D. Harper and D. A. Glenn.

FRIDAY, 10 O'clock, A. M.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev. G. M. Duke.

Minutes of yesterday read, corrected and adopted.

Committee of Arrangements, through their chairman, reported the following order of business, which was adopted:

1. Meet at 10 o'clock, a. m., adjourn at 12:30 p. m; meet at 1:30 p. m. and adjourn at will.
2. Appoint a committee to select ministers to preach stated sermons, and a committee to nominate standing committees.
3. Report on State Missions, Ministerial Education, Periodicals and Sunday Schools.
4. Report of Committee on Foreign Missions.
5. Printing Minutes.
6. Report of Finance Committee and Treasurer of Executive Committee, and of the Treasurer of the Association.
7. Select time and place of next Association.
8. Report of committees to select ministers to preach stated sermons and to nominate standing committees.
9. Appoint delegates to Baptist State Convention.
10. Report of Historian.
11. Miscellaneous business.
12. Report on Associational Missions made special order for 2 o'clock to-day.

The following brethren were appointed to select ministers to preach stated sermons—W. E. Bowers, Noah Biggs, W. M. Warren.

And the following to nominate standing committees—J. D. Hufham, Mark Duke, C. M. Cook.

Visiting brethren again invited and accepted by Prof. Hobgood, from Central Association and President Oxford Female Seminary.

Report on State Missions was read by Bro. G. M. Duke, chairman of committee, (see Appendix A) and discussed by Brethren Bailey and Carter, who gave us the most cheering accounts of our missionaries in the State. Bro. Hufham then spoke of the great work done in the State, and the needs of the Board. A collection was taken and the following churches and individuals pledged and paid the amounts here annexed:

Louisburg church	$10 00	Mark Duke	1 00
Ephesus "	10 25	Calvin Wilder	1 00
W. R. Carter	10 00	I. W Allen	1 00
John Watson	10 00	P. H. Pernell	1 00
J. W. Irby	10 00	J. H. Nicholson	1 00
L. C. Perkinson	5 00	J. H. Barkley	1 00
H. D. Avery	5 00	J. C. Beal	1 00
W. E. Bowers	5 00	N. H. Macon	1 00
*Warrenton church	10 00	B. F. Wilder	1 00
*Armstead Inscoe	2 50	J. C. Marks	1 00
†R. B. Browning	5 00	J. J. Coley	1 00
*G. W. Terrell	2 50	W. G. Harper	1 00
T. R. Bowers	2 50	Thomas Carrack	1 00
*S. D. King	2 50		
		Total	$103 25

Those marked thus * unpaid.
Those marked thus † one-half.

After which the report was adopted.

The following new churches were received and the right hand of fellowship extended by the Moderator: Elm Grove, Fishing Creek, Toisnot and Quankie.

Adjourned for dinner.

FRIDAY, 2 o'clock.

Report on Ministerial Education read by C. M. Cook (see Appendix C) and made special order for to morrow 10 a. m.

On motion of Bro. Hufham, the following brethren were appointed an Executive Committee for next year: C. M. Cook, J. T. Webb, W. E. Bowers, Noah Biggs, John Randolph, H. D. Avery and John Watson. Noah Biggs was elected Treasurer for next year.

The hour for the special order having arrived, Associational Missions was taken up. Treasurer's report called for and read by Noah Biggs. (See Appendix B.)

Bro. R. B. Browering was appointed to audit said account. After which he reported as follows:

I have examined the accounts of Noah Biggs, Treasurer, and find them correct. R. B. BROWERING, *Auditor.*

Bro. Cook read an account of the labors of some of the missionaries of our Association, and verbal reports were made by Elders Pitchford and Willcox, after which the following churches and individuals pledged the following amounts:

Bear Swamp	$ 200 00	Roanoke	$ 25 00
Zion	200 00	John Watson	25 00
Louisburg	100 00	C. M. Cook	25 00
Rocky Mount	100 00	J. C. Randolph	25 00
Ephesus	100 00	G. M. Duke	25 00
Wilson & Tarboro (J. E. C)	100 00	Willis Joyner	25 00
Conoconary	75 00	Philadelphia	25 00
Warrenton	65 00	J. D. Hufham	20 00
Brown's	50 00	Red Bud	20 00
J. A. Mundy	35 00	Rehoboth	25 00
Poplar Spring	35 00	Sharon	20 00
Turkey Branch	30 00	Antioch	20 00
Rock Spring	30 00	Maple Springs (by deleg'ts)	15 00
Littleton	30 00	Handy Crudup	15 00
Corinth	30 00	Hickory	15 00
Gardner's	30 00	Quankie	10 00
Greenville	30 00	Aurelian Springs	10 00
Cedar Rock	25 00	Free Chapel	10 00
Enfield	25 00	Hamilton	10 00
Reedy Creek	25 00	Harriss' Chapel	10 00
Peach Tree	25 00	New Bethel	10 00

New Hope	$ 10 00
Mrs. Dr. Jackson	10 00
Toisnot	10 00
H. D. Avery	10 00
A. G. Willcox	10 00
Samaria	10 00
T. R. Bowers	10 00
R. E. Peele	10 00
W. H. Randolph	10 00
D. A. Glenn	10 00
N. H. Macon	10 00
Warren Plains	10 00
Pine Forest	5 00
J. R. Lanier	5 00
P. H. Pernell	5 00
William Parker	5 00
William Medlin	5 00
W. H. Sexton	5 00
J. J. Coley	5 00
S. R. Duke	5 00
Mark Duke	5 00
H. A. Inscoe	5 00
Calvin Wilder	5 00
M. V. McDuffie	5 00
B. T. Parker	$ 5 00
Mrs. A. W. Jackson	5 00
Jacob Lamm	5 00
J. H. Barkley	5 00
J. A. Pope	5 00
H. B. S. Pitt	5 00
Thomas Carrack	5 00
George Coppedge	5 00
J. C. Marks	5 00
A. Nevill	5 00
D. Wester	5 00
J. O. P. Jones	5 00
Pactolus	5 00
Cypress	5 00
George Branch	5 00
Mrs. M. T. Willcox	5 00
R. D. Harper	5 00
J. M. Edwards	4 00
R. H. Shearin	2 50
J. D. Johnson	2 00
H. S. Qualls	2 00
Grand total	$2,000 50

A collection was also taken for Shiloh church (colored) amounting to $15.95. Report adopted.

Ministerial Education next claimed the attention of the Association. C. M. Cook read report on Education. (See Appendix C).

Dr. Pritchard, of Wake Forest College, addressed the large audience on the subject of education, after which the following amounts were pledged:

M. V. McDuffie $10; L. C. Perkinson $10; J. E. Carter $10; C. M. Cook and A. G. McManaway $10; J. T. Webb $10; D. A. Glenn $5; Dr. Pope paid $5; Mrs. T. R. Bowers paid $1. Total $61.

Bear Swamp supports a beneficiary for one year.

Report then adopted.

Committee on Stated Sermons reported as follows:

For Introductory Sermon—Thos. Carrack; Alternate, Vernon I'Anson.
For Missionary Sermon—J. E. Carter; Alternate, M. V. McDuffie.
For Denominational Sermon—A. G. McManaway; Alternate, J. D. Hufham.

W. E. Bowers,
Wm. Warren,
Noah Biggs,
Committee.

Committee to nominate Standing Committees reported the following:

To write on Foreign Missions—A. G. McManaway, P. H. Pernell.
To write on State Missions—J. E. Carter, W. E. Daniel.
To write on Associational Missions—G. M. Duke, John Allen.
To write on Ministerial Education—G. W. Blount, W. H. Ragsdale.
To write on Sunday Schools—G. W. Newell, Noah Biggs.

J. D. HUFHAM,
M. C. DUKE,
Committee.

Report on Periodicals called for. No report.

Rev. C. T. Bailey and Rev. J. E. Carter made speeches in behalf of our paper, the *Recorder*.

The following committee was appointed on Periodicals: L. C. Perkinson and Dr. J. R. Pope.

Report on Sunday Schools (see Appendix D,) was read by the Reading Clerk and ably discussed by Bro. Purefoy, and adopted.

Report on Temperance next claimed the attention of the Association. Bro. Carter read the report, which without discussion was adopted. (See Appendix E.)

Report on Foreign Missions called for. No report. In the absence of the report, Bro. Carter made a most impressive speech on the subject. Bro. Hufham was appointed to write a report. (No report furnished).

The Clerk was instructed to have the usual number of Minutes published, with blank church letter for each church, and to receive the usual compensation for his services.

Finance Committee reported as follows:

CHURCHES.	Minute Fund.	Associat'l Missions.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Sunday Schools.	Total.
Antioch,	$ 2 00	$ 15 00		$	$	$	$ 17 00
Aurelian Springs,	1 60	18 00					19 60
Bear Swamp	2 00	100 00	$ 4 00	5 00	4 19		115 19
Brown's,	2 00	50 00					52 00
Conoconary,	2 55	75 00					77 55
Corinth,	2 00	25 00		8 14			35 14
Cedar Rock,	2 50	30 00		3 00			35 50
Cypress Chapel,	1 00	10 00					11 00
Elm Grove,	1 75						1 75
Enfield,	1 25						1 25
Ephesus,	75						75
Fishing Creek,	1 00						1 00
Gardner's,	1 50	25 00					26 50
Free Chapel,	1 00	5 00					6 00
Greenville,	1 00	26 00					27 00
Hamilton,	1 00	15 00					16 00
Harriss' Chapel,	1 00	15 00					16 00
Hickory Chapel,	2 00	10 00					12 00
Louisburg,	2 76	105 00		9 00	9 00		125 76
Littleton,	1 50						1 50

Report of Finance Committee continued.

CHURCHES.	Minute Fund.	Associational Missions.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Sunday Schools.	Total.
Maple Spring,	$ 3 00	$ 25 00	$	$	$ 10 00	$	$ 38 00
Mt. Zion,	1 75	45 00	2 00	2 00	1 00		51 75
Mt. Olivet,	1 00						1 00
New Bethel,	2 00		1 50				3 50
New Hope,	1 50	4 00		4 00		1 85	11 35
Peach Tree,	1 55	25 00					26 55
Philadelphia,	2 10				10 10		12 20
Pleasant Grove,	2 00	5 00					7 00
Poplar Spring,	2 00	7 50					9 50
Pine Forest,	1 00	5 00					6 00
Quankie,	1 00						1 00
Red Bud,	1 50	20 00					21 50
Rehoboth,	1 50	10 00					11 50
Reedy Creek,	2 00	25 00					27 00
Rock Spring,	1 50	28 00					29 50
Roanoke,	1 00	5 00					6 00
Rocky Mount,	1 00						1 00
Samaria,	2 00	10 00					12 00
Sandy Creek,	1 75	10 00					11 75
Sharon,	2 50	10 00					12 50
Shiloh, (Colored,)	3 00	10 00					13 00
Tarboro,	1 50	25 00					26 50
Turkey Branch,	1 00	10 00					11 00
Warrenton,	2 75	85 00					87 75
Warren Plains,	1 25	5 00					6 25
Wilson,	2 00	17 25					19 25
Williamston,							
Zion,	2 50	230 00					232 00
Lewis Pope,		5 00					5 00
C. Wilder,		5 00					5 00
S. S. Sikes,		5 00					5 00
Geo. M. Duke,		25 00					25 00
Jordan Coppedge,		5 00					5 00
J. W. Duke,		2 00					2 00
M. S. Duke,		2 50					2 50
S. E. Lancaster,		2 50					2 50
S. S. Allen,		2 00					2 00
W. D. Harriss,		3 00					3 00
Jno. Watson,		25 00					25 00
Ladies of Maple Spring,		25 00					25 00
Mrs. Dr. Jackson,		10 00					10 00
Mrs. A. W. Jackson,		5 00					5 00
A. W. Jackson,		5 00					5 00
J. J. Murray,		1 00					1 00
C. N. F. Ellen,		2 00					2 00
A. G. Willcox		11 00					11 00
P. H. Pernell,		7 00					7 00
J. T. Webb,		100 00					100 00
R. T. Vann,		30 00					30 00
Miss Norah Stallings,		5 00					5 00
J. C. Beale,		5 00					5 00
A. P. Dozier,		2 00					2 00
W. M. Warren,		1 00					1 00
W. E. Bowers		25 00					25 00
H. B. S. Pitt,		5 00					5 00
J. M. Edwards,		10 00					10 00
D. Wester,		5 00					5 00
J. V. Bunting,		5 00					5 00
G. T. Coley,		5 00					5 00
N. B. Broughton,		15 00					15 00
Total,	$ 79 81	$1503 75	$ 7 50	$ 31 14	$ 34 29	$ 1 85	$ 1,658 34

Brother John Watson was elected a delegate to Baptist State Convention, and any other member of the Association

that may be present was authorized to represent us in the Convention.

In view of the amount contributed by the Louisburg church for the objects of the Convention, their Pastor, the Rev. A. G. McManaway, was elected a life member of the Convention, and the Clerk was ordered to inform him of his election.

Treasurer's report was read, but in the absence of funds remaining in treasury, the report was laid upon the table.

Time and place of next Association was decided upon, Littleton being place, and the time, Thursday before the 2nd Sunday in October, 1882.

The following resolution was passed unanimously:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be returned to the brethren and friends of this church and community for their kind entertainment.

Adjourned to meet on Thursday before 2nd Sunday in October next at Littleton, N. C.

J. T. WEBB, MODERATOR.

A. G. WILLCOX, *Clerk and Treasurer.*

SERVICES.

Services were held at the stand morning, afternoon and at night, as well as at a private house.

Sunday morning, Elder J. E. Carter preached to a large audience from Ephesians, 2nd chapter.

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX A.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

All that love the Lord and desire the happiness of man, should desire the gospel to be preached in every part of the State. If this is true of christians generally, how much more is it true of Baptists? While the Baptists hold many truths in common with other christians, they hold some important doctrines of the Bible alone, doctrines that affect the civil and religious well being of our fellow creatures. The Baptists have all been the friends of civil and religious liberty; they have a purer form of church government; they hold and practice the ordinances as delivered by the Saviour; they have ever been opposed to the union of church and State; they acknowledge no lawgiver but Christ, no rule of faith, doctrine and practice but the Scriptures.

While we rejoice in the good done by others, and co-operate with our sister denominations in all things that we can conscientiously, yet we think the Baptists should desire Baptist preaching in every part of the State. And all should be willing to contribute of our means to assist in building Baptist churches in every part of the State. We think the Baptists have a special mission in the world. Inasmuch as we hold the truth pure, we should give it to others. It is for these reasons that we are trying to build churches in towns and other places where other denominations already have churches. We hope the masses of our people will see it in this light, and become thoroughly identified with and interested in the mission movement of the State.

Again, there are many places in the State where there are a few Baptists that are not able to support a preacher; it is but right that those that are stronger should be willing to assist the weaker brethren. In the Tar River Association we are doing a good work, which is properly State mission work, yet we should not limit our contributions to our Association alone, but should do our utmost for the whole State. We have abundant reasons to be grateful to God for the blessing he has given to our State work this year.

The reports from every section of the State indicate progress; there has been a general advance all over the State among the Baptists; new houses are being built, and new churches organized all over the State. These things call for greater activity on our part. These things ought to encourage us to press forward and attempt still greater things for the Master, and the success that has attended our efforts, should confirm us in the belief that the work has the Divine approval. Some of our people imagine the State Board of Missions to be salaried officers, and for this reason will not give to this work. We have simply this to say, that these are good men who do not receive any pay, but give of their time and money for this work. We do not write this because you need information here, but we hope to reach some of our people through the minutes in which these reports are usually published.

We, your committee, would recommend that the pastors endeavor to inform their people, and take up collections to assist in paying some indebtedness of the Board, and that they organize systematic plans of benevolence for this and all other objects of benevolence.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. DUKE,
J. V. BUNTING.

APPENDIX B.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION,
In account with NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

1831			
Oct. 1.	To cash paid Eld. M. Coppedge for services at Ephesus and Grange Hall,		$ 75 00
	To cash paid Elder J. E Carter for services at Tarboro and Rocky Mount,		200 00
	To cash paid Elder W. P. Blake for services at Wilson, Halifax and Toisnot,		300 00
	To cash paid Elder G. W. Duke for services at Nashville and Battleboro,		100 00
	To cash paid Elder J. E. Pitchford for services at Aurelian Springs,		100 00
	To cash paid Elder Thomas Carrack for services at Washington and Pactolus,		125 00
	To cash paid Elder F. R. Underwood for services in Martin county,		333 33
	To cash paid Elder A. G. Willcox for services at Harrison Shops and Turkey Branch,		100 00
	To cash paid Elder J. A. Mundy expenses to Williamston,		15 00
	To cash paid Elder J. E. Carter, expenses to Washington,		20 00
1880	CREDITS.		
Oct. 9.	By cash on hand this day,	$ 53 64	
	" amount from clerk,	1,375 25	
	" cash of G. W. Duke,	2 00	
	" " of J. D. Huf ham for 1881,	19 00	
	" " of Warrenton church,	37 50	
	" " of Bertie Union Meeting,	75 00	
	To amount to balance,		194 06
		$ 1,562 39	$1,562 39
	By balance on hand,		$ 194 06
	To cash paid Elder McDuffie at Middleburg,		50 00
			$ 144 06
	By cash returned by Elder G. W. Duke,		50 00
			$ 194 06

APPENDIX C.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

It is recommended by the undersigned that the Association adopt the following resolutions on the above named subject :

Resolved, We hold that no man should preach who has not a Divine call to the work. Upon suggestion of a brother that he believes that the Divine call has been made to him, it is the duty of the church to look well to his spiritual qualification as manifested by his conduct. This is the ground work, and after this and second only to this in importance is, that the brother and the church shall strive for the highest degree of

intellectual development, that is consistent with the condition and circumstances in the particular case.

Resolved 2d, That this Association rejoices in the fact that there are more students for the ministry at Wake Forest College than ever before, and that we cheerfully recognize our obligation to assist these young men to the extent of our ability in their efforts to prepare themselves for the glorious and responsible work of preaching the gospel.

C. M. COOKE.

APPENDIX D

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We, as Baptists, attach too little importance to this grand work which God has instituted for the advancement of His kingdom on earth, and for the preparing of our boys and girls to fill more worthily the places which are daily being vacated by those who are called to cross over the river. The Sunday School presents a field in which every Christian, both old and young can find work, and pleasant work at that, to do.

The following are some facts which are gathered from the last year's Minutes of this Association: Number of Sunday Schools in the Association, 38; number of officers and teachers, 220; number of scholars, 2,210; number of months of teaching, 261; average time school kept open, 9½; number conversions in school, 31; churches without schools 13; not reported, 2.

As compared with the statistics of the previous year the report shows a gain of 6 schools and 619 scholars, and a loss of 9 teachers and 3 months of teaching.

There has been also a loss of 43 in the number of conversions. We find that there are 4,478 Baptists in this Association, of whom only about about one-ninth are at work in Sunday Schools. Of the 319 baptisms in the Association, the Sunday Schools furnished nearly one-sixth.

Pastors should see that the Sunday Schools are properly officered and managed. The Sunday School work is a church work, and should be done by the members. They may sow the seed and leave it to the ministers to reap the harvest.

The first element of true success in the Sunday School work is the power of God's word; second, regular and liberal contributions. This is mission work and practical christianity; third, the conversion of souls —the final object of all Sunday School effort. Our motto should be a Sunday School in every Baptist church and in every neighborhood in our bounds. To accomplish this I would suggest that this body appoint some active, zealous brother who will take an interest in Sunday School work, in each section of our Association, whose duty it shall be to visit each church in his section during the year, to urge the importance of Sunday Schools, and to organize one in every church where he finds none, and to organize schools, as far as he can, in every community not convenient to a church. These brethren to report the result of their labor at the next meeting of this body. Let this be a gratuitous mission.

I earnestly hope this suggestion will be put into active operation by this body. Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. COPPEDGE, *Committee.*

APPENDIX E.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

The subject of temperance, by which is meant the abstinence from intoxicating drink, is one which will claim the attention and solicit the interest of good men and christian people so long as the natural appetites exist and the use of such drinks can be indulged.

Our churches can not be faithful to their trusts and allow intemperance among their membership. While we believe an erring brother should be kindly and patiently dealt with, and then proper efforts made to reclaim him from the improper use of strong drink, we feel assured that in some cases the cause of Christ is made to suffer by holding those in church fellowship who are addicted to intemperance.

This is a question which requires prudence, wisdom and christian moderation to manage, and in all instances these should be sought by those upon whom the responsibility falls. JOSEPH E. CARTER.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following, viz :

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2nd. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.

3d. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.

4th. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before, but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.

5th. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.

6th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without obtaining liberty from the Association.

7th. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.

8th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.

9th. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by clerk, and called over as often as the Association requires.

10th. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to vote, but not entitled to a vote only in case of a tie.

11th. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules, shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.

CONSTITUTION.

1st. The Association shall be composed of the pastors, and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2nd. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated and dead since the last Association.

3rd. Members thus chosen and convened, shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4th. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

5th. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator, giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6th. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7th. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8th. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9th. We think it absolutely necessary to have an associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10th. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11th. The Association shall have power to enquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12th. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13th. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, who they esteem of good moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in council.

14th. This Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches, respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the gospel, and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15th. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

16th. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Counties.	Pastors and P. O.	Clerks and P. O.	Sabbath of Preaching.	Additions.			Diminut,ns			White Males.	White Females.	Total White.	Recorders taken.	Colored	Total.
					Baptisms.	Letter.	Restored.	Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.						
Antioch,	Halifax,	Jas. A. Pitchford, Littleton,	Jas. J. Partin, Heathville,	1	3	2	1	7	3	1	19	66	85	...	2	87
Aurelian Springs	Halifax,	Jas. A. Pitchford, Littleton,	Jas. Walker, Aurelian Sp'g,	2	1	...	...	...	...	...	8	7	15	...	...	15
Bear Swamp,	Halifax,	Vernon I'Anson, Hicksford	J. H. Connell, Brinkleyville	4	11	6	...	...	...	1	39	48	87	...	10	97
Brown's,	Warren,	D. A. Glenn, Littleton,	John Watson, Warrenton,	2	3	3	...	4	...	...	25	57	82	8	97	179
Conoconary,	Halifax,	R. E. Peele, Crowell's,	J. R. Pope, Crowell's,	1, 3,	10	1	2	1	5	1	78	100	178	...	...	178
Corinth,	Franklin,	M. V. McDuffie, Henderson,	A. D. Ellis, Franklinton,	2	3	1	1	5	...	1	41	69	110	6	...	110
Cedar Rock,	Franklin,	G. W. Newell, Mapleville,	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock,	1, 3,	1	5	...	3	2	3	46	50	96	...	...	96
Cypress Chapel,	Franklin,	P. H. Pernell, Louisburg,	M. R. Moore, Mapleville,	4	...	...	...	2	...	..	9	34	43	...	2	45
Elm Grove,	Nash,	M. R. Pernell, Franklinton	Francis Rackley, Nashville,	4	64	1	...	...	...	...	31	34	65	...	...	65
Enfield,	Halifax,	...	R. E. Riddick, Enfield,	...	9	1	...	2	...	1	10	5	15	3	...	15
Ephesus,	Nash,	Geo. Coppedge, Castalia,	H. M. Warren, Wilson,	4	...	5	...	...	1	...	12	12	24	3	...	24
Fishing Creek,	Halifax,	...	M. Bobbitt, Ringwood,	...	...	6	...	...	...	1	3	3	6	...	...	6
Free Chapel,	Nash,	R. D. Harper, Hilliardston,	T. A. Bone, Nashville,	4	...	...	...	...	1	...	14	24	38	...	...	38
Gardner's,	Warren,	D. A. Glenn, Littleton,	Jas. W. Shearin, Macon,	3	7	3	...	3	1	...	31	73	104	...	...	104
Greenville,	Pitt,	Thos. Carrick, Greenville,	L. W. Lawrence,	...	4	...	...	1	1	2	10	53	63	...	...	63
Hamilton,	Martin,	F. R. Underwood, Hamilton	R. B. Salisbury, Hamilton,	1, 3,	...	2	...	...	...	...	6	19	25	...	...	25
Harriss' Chapel,	Halifax,	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	B. Y. Harriss, Arcola,	3	10	...	...	...	...	...	16	23	...	...	...	39
Hickory Chapel,	Nash,	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	B. F. Drake, Battleboro,	3	7	...	1	6	3	3	28	43	71	...	...	71
Louisburg,	Franklin,	A. G. McManaway	E. W. Timberlake, Louisb'g,	1, 3,	26	9	...	4	...	...	39	53	92	...	...	92
Littleton,	Halifax,	D. A. Glenn, Littleton,	W. S. Bobbitt, Littleton,	4	4	2	...	...	...	...	49	58	107	...	...	107
Maple Springs,	Franklin,	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	A. W. Jackson, Mapleville,	4	8	5	3	4	5	1	38	69	107	...	14	121
Mt. Zion,	Franklin,	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	A. J. Carr, Laurel,	1	...	...	...	1	3	2	45	73	118	...	...	118
Mt. Olivet,	Franklin,	E. F. Beachum, Franklinton	F. Tharington, Franklinton	3	9	...	...	...	...	...	11	30	41	...	...	41
New Bethel,	Warren,	G. W. Coppedge, Castalia,	E. W. Green, Louisburg,	1	9	1	1	2	3	1	39	66	105	...	...	105
New Hope,	Wilson,	M. R. Pernell, Franklinton,	H. H. Williams, Wilson,	4	...	1	...	13	2	1	50	50	100	1	...	100
Peach Tree,	Nash,	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	Jas. J. H. Edwards, Castalia	2	13	...	4	7	4	5	70	133	203	...	...	203
Philadelphia,	Nash,	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	J. V. Bunting, Hilliardston,	4	14	1	2	5	2	2	44	75	119	...	1	120
Poplar Spring,	Franklin,	O. L. Stringfield, W. Forest,	John Cheavus, Louisburg,	3	17	...	2	7	...	...	114	168	282	10	32	314
Pine Forest,	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Pleasant Grove,...	Nash,.....	M. R. Pernell, Franklinton,	Z. R. Hinton, Nashville,.....	.....	.....	1	...	6	4	2	43	92	135	...	5	140
Quankie,.....	Halifax, ...	A. G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	R. H. Walker, Weldon,..	4	11	4	...	...	...	...	5	10	15	...	.....	15
Red Bud,.....	Franklin,.....	P. H. Pernell, Louisburg,.....	Sam Harper, Castalia,.....	2	.....	...	...	4	1	6	50	113	163	3	2	165
Rehoboth,.....	Nash,.....	.....	E. T. Barkley, Rocky M't,...	3	.....	1	...	.....	1	1	32	52	84	...	.....	84
Reedy Creek,.....	Warren, ...	A.G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	B. B. Davis, Warrenton,.....	1	6	.....	7	2	21	5	54	96	150	...	6	156
Rock Spring,.....	Franklin,.....	P. H. Pernell, Louisburg,.....	J. H. Odum, Louisburg,.....	1	22	5	...	...	...	...	47	59	106	...	.....	106
Roanoke, ...	Halifax, ...	W. P. Blake, Weldon,.....	W. E Daniel, Weldon,.....	4	1	5	...	.....	...	...	16	13	29	...	29	58
Rocky Mount,.....	Edgecombe,...	W. P. Blake, Weldon,.....	H. D. Avery, Rocky Mount,	.....	.....	6	...	.....	...	1	.....	.....	16	...	.....	16
Samaria,.....	Nash, ...	Geo. Coppedge, Castalia,.....	Wesley Privett, Stanhope,...	2	73	3	1	....	1	1	52	109	161	...	2	163
Sandy Creek,.....	Franklin,.....	Jas. A. Pitchford, Littleton,	N. Davis, Cedar Rock,.....	3	.....	.....	1	1	1	1	50	113	163	...	3	166
Sharon.....	Warren, ...	D. A. Glenn, Littleton,.....	P. R. Perkinson, War'n P'ns	1	21	2	2	5	...	2	45	97	142	...	.....	142
Shiloh, (Colored,)	Vance,.....	Jeffers'n Burwell, Kittrell's,	Handy Crudup, Kittrell's,...	2	37	2	9	2	17	5	.....	.....	.....	...	568	568
Tarboro,.....	Edgecombe,...	J. E. Carter, Wilson	W. S. Duggan, Tarboro,.....	2, 4,	10	1	...	.....	...	...	.....	.....	15	...	.....	30
Toisnot,.....	Nash, ...	W. P. Blake, Weldon,..... ...	E. H. Vick,.....	.....	.....	1	...	1	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	75
Turkey Branch,...	Halifax, ...	A.G. Willcox, Brinkleyville	D. C. Thrower, Enfield, ...	2	2	3	...	3	...	1	10	9	19	...	.....	19
Warrenton, ...	Warren, ...	J. A. Mundy, Warrenton,....	J. M. Waddell, Warrenton,..	1,2,3,4	2	3	...	2	...	...	48	78	126	...	...	126
Warren Plains,...	Warren, ...	D. A. Glenn, Littleton,.....	N. B. Weldon, Warren Pl'ns	1	....	4	...	.....	...	...	18	24	42	...	.....	42
Wilson,.....	Wilson,....	J. E. Carter, Wilson,.....	B. F. Briggs, Wilson,.....	1, 3,	.....	1	1	11	3	...	25	36	61	...	....	61
Williamston,.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	...	...	.....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....
Zion,.....	Halifax, ...	J. D. Hufham, Scotl'd Neck	W. H. Ragsdale, Scotl'd N'k	1,2,3,	1	8	...	6	8	2	43	53	96	...	1	97
					419	105	38	100	93	52	1453	2459	3912	34	774	4686

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Foreign Missions.	Associat'l Missions	State Missions.	Indian Missions.	Ministerial Education	Church Extension	Church Expenses.	Sunday Schools.	Minute Fund.	Other Objects.	Total
Antioch			$ 15 00	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ 2 00		$ 17 00
Aurelian Springs			17 00							1 50		18 50
Bear Swamp	$ 175 00	5 00	100 00	4 00		4 19				2 00	106 00	396 19
Brown's	150 00		75 00					23 50	10 00	2 00	10 00	270 00
Conoconary	400 00	5 00	79 00			10 00			35 00	2 55		531 55
Corinth	150 00	8 14	25 00					15 00	4 05	2 00		204 19
Cedar Rock	100 00	3 00	30 00					80 00	10 00	2 50		225 50
Cypress Chapel										1 00		1 00
Elm Grove										1 75		1 75
Enfield	150 00			18 00				34 22	8 48	1 25		211 95
Ephesus										75		75
Fishing Creek										1 00		1 00
Free Chapel	30 00		5 00							1 00		36 00
Gardner's	150 00		25 00					105 00	8 19	1 50		289 69
Greenville	375 00		26 00			10 00				1 00	82 43	504 43
Hamilton	115 00		15 00						10 25	1 00		141 25
Harris' Chapel	50 00		15 00	2 50						1 00		68 50
Hickory			10 00							2 00		12 00
Louisburg	500 00	9 00	105 00	10 00		9 00				2 76		635 75
Littleton	175 00	14 95					30 50	15 00		1 50	15 00	251 45
Maple Springs	150 00		50 00			10 00				3 00	7 80	220 80
Mt. Zion	125 00	2 00	45 00	14 00		1 00		502 00		1 75	4 00	684 75
Mt. Olivet										1 00		1 00
New Bethel	60 00			1 50						2 00	3 25	66 75
New Hope	150 00	4 00	4 00					36 00	1 85	1 50		197 35
Peach Tree	150 00		25 00	5 00						1 55		181 55

Philadelphia	100 00					10 30				2 10		112 40
Pleasant Grove	75 00		5 00							2 00		82 00
Poplar Springs	100 00			30 00				4 00		2 00		136 00
Pine Forest			5 00							1 00		6 00
Quankie										1 00		1 00
Red Bud			20 00							1 50		21 50
Rehoboth			10 00							1 50		11 50
Reedy Creek	100 00		25 00	5 00		10 00				2 00		147 00
Rock Springs			28 00							1 50		29 50
Roanoke	200 00		5 00	31 00		13 40		131 00	115 00	1 00	32 00	468 40
Rocky Mount	100 00					5 00				1 00	5 00	111 00
Samaria	56 00		10 00					10 00		2 00		82 00
Sandy Creek			10 00							1 75		11 75
Sharon	150 00		10 00			17 00		6 00	4 00	2 50		189 50
Shiloh (colored)	125 00		10 00					68 96		3 00		206 96
Tarboro	450 00	11 52	25 00		25 00	10 15	43 00		25 00	1 50	30 00	621 15
Toisnot	7 00									1 00		8 00
Turkey Branch			10 00							1 00		11 00
Warrenton	900 00	5 00	85 00			26 05				2 75	87 00	1.105 80
Warren Plains	56 00	2 46	5 00					125 00	3 75	1 25		187 46
Wilson	600 00		100 00					200 00	25 00	2 00	10 00	937 00
Williamson												
Zion*	600 00		250 00	250 00		50 00		1800 00	210 00	2 50		3,142 50
		$70 07	$1259 00	$ 371 00	$25 00	$ 185 69	$73 00	$3155 68	$ 370 57	$80 71	$ 392 48	$12,798 08

*Zion gave $5 00 to Wake Forest College.

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SABBATH SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENT.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Average Attendance	Volumes.	Conversions	Other Papers.	No. Months Kept Open.	Total.	Kind Words taken.
Brown's,	Jno. W. Allen,	8	30	20	25			12		15
Corinth,	P. J. Dement,	12	52	40	200			9	4 05	
Conoconary,	H. T. Williams,	13	60				20		35 00	50
Conoconary No 1,			25							
Cedar Rock,	John A. Coppedge,	8	40	35			40	12	10 00	
Ephesus,	J. T. Webb,	4	40	30				7		
Enfield,	F. J. Dennis,	3	10	13				12	8 48	10
Greenville,	P. P. Lawrence,	11	60	45	300		60		10 00	
Gardner's,	Jno. R. Rodwell,	12	44	30	40	4		12	8 19	
Littleton,	R. B. Browning,	3	25							
Louisburg,	C. M. Cook,	11	80					12		
Hamilton,	R. B. Salsbury,	5	36				38		10 25	
Maple Springs,	J. H. Wheless	6	40		100			8	7 80	12
Maple Springs No.1	A. H. Baker,	13	110	80	80		24	12	12 00	
Maple Springs No.2	I. H. Wheless,	8	75				17			
Mt. Olivet,	Chas. H. Sanderlin,		25							
New Bethel,	S. J. Matthews,	5	39	22				5	3 25	
New Hope,	J. A. Privett,	6	51	40				6		
Philadelphia,	K. P. Leonard,	10	50	30	100			7		
Peach Tree,	Jos. B. Privett,	7	50					8		
Poplar Spring,	A. J. White,	16	150					12		12
Rock Springs,	Thos. Harriss,	8	50	30				6		
Sharon,	Jas. H. Hicks,	8	80	55	100		36	9		
Samaria,	B. T. Strickland,	6	100	50				8		
Sandy Creek,	J. H. Colbert,	5	30	15				6		
Tarboro,	C. J. Austin,	4	45		150		49			
Wilson,	Geo. W. Blount,	5	60	45	100		4	12	25 00	
Warren Plains,	S. P. Fleming,	10	50	30	73		20	12	3 75	
Warrenton,	L. A. Williams,	9	80		500		60			
Zion,	R. C. Josey,	15	100		150		25	12	200 00	40
		231	1677	610	2418	4	393		$337 79	139

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LICENTIATE—JNO. W. SLEDGE.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY—Morning Session.

Littleton, N. C.,
Thursday, Oct. 5th, 1882.

The Tar River Baptist Association met here to-day, in its fifty-second annual session,

In the absence of the regular appointee, Elder Thomas Carrick, Rev. G. M. Duke preached the Introductory Sermon—text, Rom., 5th chapter, 8th and 9th verses.

After the usual intermission the Association met and religious exercises were conducted by Dr. Hufham. The Moderator then called the Association to order.

Bros. R. M. Johnson and L. R. Williams were appointed Reading Clerks, and W. E. Bowers and Mark C. Duke Finance Committee.

The roll of churches being called, the following churches answered by delegates and letters:

Antioch.—J. J. Partin, Wm. Parker, J. W. Hardy.
Aurelian Springs.—Armstead Inscoe.
Bear Swamp.—W. E. Bowers, T. R. Bowers, William Sledge.
Brown's.—Lewis Allen, James Partin, John Watson.
Conoconary.—Jas. A. Pope, H. H. Rasberry, John D. Tilbry.
Cypress Chapel.—W. J. Wilder, L. Green.
Corinth.—W. P. Burruss, T. S. Carroll, S. H. Bailey.
Cedar Rock.—Jno. W. Sledge, G. W. Newell.
Gardner's.—Ed. P. Rodwell, T. M. Egerton, J. H. Nicholson.
Greenville.—Thomas Carrick.
Elm Grove.—Wright Batchelor, Wiley Whitley, Fred. Cooper.
Enfield.—F. J. Dennis, W. J. Hopkins.
Ephesus.—J. T. Webb, J. T. Fulford, W. P. Lamb.
Fishing Creek.—T. M. Ward, Wm. W. Rosser, M. Bobbitt.
Free Chapel.—By letter.
Hamilton.—F. R. Underwood.
Harriss' Chapel.—Thomas Harriss, John Williams.
Hickory.—H. B. S. Pitt, Samuel Edwards.
Louisburg.—L. H. Jones, C. M. Cooke, J. B. Timberlake.
Littleton.—Robert Perkinson, Fletcher Bobbitt, Jesse Carter.
Maple Spring.—W. W. Boone, N. H. Macon.
Mt. Zion.—Daniel Inscoe, Ambrose Aycock.
Mt. Olivet.—L. C. Kearney, Jerry Magee, Fenner Tharington.
New Bethel.—S. M. Hicks, Rufus Dickerson.
New Hope.—By letter.
Peach Tree.—G. W. Coppedge, J. J. Bowden.
Philadelphia.—J. S. Beal, Jas. V. Bunting.

Pleasant Grove.—By letter.
Poplar Spring.—J. D. Pace.
Pine Forest.—Not represented.
Quankey.—Geo. Branch, Jesse Ray, Willis Cullom.
Red Bud.—T. S. Colley, A. D. Williams, S. R. Pearce.
Rehoboth.—J. J. Coley, W. H. Coley, W. M. Eason.
Reedy Creek.—M. C. Duke, B. R. Harriss.
Rock Springs.—J. H. Odum, W. H. Mann, J. J. Bobbitt.
Roanoke.—Rev. W. P. Blake, R. C. Lassiter, J. B. Zollicoffer.
Rocky Mount.—W. P. Blake.
Samaria.—Henry Haywood.
Sandy Creek.—J. G. Swanson, J. J. Ward, Dr. Swanson.
Sharon.—W. E. Bugg, James H. Hicks, L. C. Perkinson.
Tarboro.—C. J. Austin.
Turkey Branch.—D. C. Thrower, George Saunders, William Hull.
Warrenton.—J. R. Johnson, J. W. Williams, Sr., J. W. Williams, Jr.
Warren Plains.—W. D. Weldon, W. B. Hunley.
Wilson.—G. W. Blount, W. T. Jones.
Zion.—R. M. Johnson, L. W. Bagley, J. H. Lewis.
Shiloh (colored).—Handy Crudup, Lewis Hawkins.

On motion of Bro. Hufham, the reading of the letters was stopped, while Bro. John E. Ray, Corresponding Secrerary Baptist State Convention, addressed the Association in regard to our work, and cheered our hearts with the most encouraging accounts of the success that had attended the labors of our missionaries in the State.

The Association was permanently organized by unanimously re-electing the former Moderator, J. T. Webb, and A. G. Willcox, Clerk and Treasurer.

Visiting brethren invited to seats, and accepted by Rev. Elias Dodson, of the Home Mission Board, and Rev. C. T. Bailey, editor *Biblical Recorder.*

The Moderator appointed brethren G. M. Duke, J. R. Johnson and L. W. Bagley Committee of Arrangements, and pastor and deacons of church a Committee on Religious Exercites.

Ministers present members (*ex-officio*) of the Association, Rev. J. D. Hufham, J. A. Mundy, Thos. Carrick, F. R. Underwood, W. P. Blake, N. V. McDuffie, D. A. Glenn, G. M. Duke, Geo. Coppedge, A. G. McManaway, W. J. Hopkins, R. E. Peele, R. D. Harper, Daniel Wester, G. W. Newell, P. H. Pernell, J. A. Pitchford, Bro. Jones, of Wilson, A. G. Willcox, and licentiate, Jno. W. Sledge.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

FRIDAY, Oct. 6th, 1882.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Religious exercises, conducted by Elder Carrick.

Minutes of yesterday read and adopted. Roll of churches again called and delegates enrolled.

New churches petitioning for admission into our body: Washington, Dawson's and Mt. Vernon. Their letters were read and they were received and the Moderator extended the right hand of fellowship to delegates.

Visiting brethren again invited to seats and accepted by Prof. Brewer, from Chowan Association and Murfreesboro Female Baptist Institute; and Professor Taylor, from Central Association and representative of Board of Education W. F. College; Bro. Marsh of Flat River Association and editor of the *Orphan's Friend.*

The following resolution was offered by Bro. Hufham:

Resolved, That a brother be appointed whose work it shall be to collect materials for a history of this body, of the churches composing it, and of the ministers who, now gone to their reward, have lived and labored within its bounds.

Resolution carried and brethren Wester and Hufham were appointed to get up said history.

Committee of Arrangements, through their chairman, reported the following

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Meet at nine o'clock and adjourn at 12: 30 p. m.; meet at 2 o'clock, adjourn at will.
2. Appoint a committee to select ministers to preach stated sermons, and a committee to nominate Standing Committees.
3. Report on Periodicals, Ministerial Education, State Missions and Sunday Schools.
4. Report of Committee on Foreign Missions.
5. Printing minutes.
6. Report of Finance Committee, Treasurer of Executive Committee, and of the Treasurer of the Association.
7. Select time and place of next Association.
8. Report of committee to select ministers to preach stated sermons and to nominate Standing Committees.
9. Appoint delegates to Baptist State Convention.
10. Report of Historian.
11. Miscellaneous business.
12. Report on Associational Missions made the special order for to-day at 2 o'clock.

G. M. DUKE,
J. R. JOHNSON,
L. W. BAGLEY,
Committee.

Report on Periodicals was next called for, and read by Bro. Hufham. Able speeches were made by brethren Dodson, Bailey, Blake, Duke, Hufham. [Appendix A.] Report adopted.

Committee to select ministers to preach stated sermons: R. M. Johnson, J. W. Williams and L. C. Sledge.

Committee to nominate Standing Committees: Rev. J. D. Hufham, Noah Biggs and T. R. Bowers.

Report on Education was the next thing in order, and in absence of report Prof. Taylor made a speech on Education.

The hour for adjournment having arrived, the further discussion was deferred until after noon.

Adjourned for dinner.

Afternoon Session.

Opened with prayer by Bro. Duke.

The special hour for the consideration of Associational Missions having arrived, Bro. Hufham, for chairman, read the report of missionaries laboring within our bounds.

REPORT ON ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

There have been thirteen missionaries in the field during the year.

Elder J. H. Freeman has labored once a month at Fishing Creek where he has baptized thirteen persons and six have been received by letter into the fellowship of the church. He reports the prospects at that place to be of a most pleasing character.

Elder A. G. Willcox has been preaching once a month at Quankey in Halifax county. He has baptized twenty souls. A house of worship has been built and paid for, the cost being $400. He has also been preaching once a month at Turkey Branch, Halifax county. At this place he has baptized eight persons and the lumber has been put on the ground to build a meeting house.

Elder Geo. Coppedge has preached once a month in the afternoon at the poor-house of Nash county, and once a month at a place on the Raleigh and Tarboro road. At this latter point he has held a meeting resulting in the conversion of eighteen souls.

Elder M. V. McDuffie has been preaching once a month at Middleburg on the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad. He has organized a church of twelve members and baptized four persons. A house of worship has been erected, and though still unfinished the work has been paid for as far as it has gone. There is an efficient Sabbath School in successful operation.

Elder G. M. Duke has preached once a month at Battleboro, where he has organized a church of seven members. One has been baptized and three have been received by letter. Others are ready to be received into the fellowship of the church.

Elder Harper has preached once a month at Free Chapel and has baptized four persons.

Elder Thos. Carrick has been preaching once a month at Washington. He

reports that the prospects are encouraging in that field and there is need for a settled pastor who shall give all his time to the work in that place. He has also preached once a month at Pactolus in Pitt county. At this place a good house of worship is in process of erection.

Elder F. R. Underwood has been laboring in Martin county and has been greatly blessed in portions of his field. Seventeen have been baptized.

Elder W. P. Blake has been laboring at Weldon and Halifax. At the former place the church has been growing steadily in efficiency and spiritual power and some have been baptized.

Elder J. E. Carter labored at Toisnot for several months. Since his removal to the western part of the State, Elder W. T. Jones has been preaching once a month at that place. The brethren are greatly cumbered by the work of building a house of worship.

Elder R. E. Peele has been laboring at Pantego and other points in Beaufort county. At Pantego he is getting ready to build a house of worship. Bro. Peele is the only Baptist minister living in the county.

Elder Jas. A. Pitchford has been preaching at Aurelian Springs. He reports no special encouragement in that field.

These reports of the brethren as given above should fill our hearts with gladness. The field is very extensive and requires much greater efforts than have yet been put forth for its extension.

G. M. DUKE,
Chairman.

The roll of churches was called and the following amounts pledged for another year:

Bear Swamp	$ 200 00	J. D. Hufham	$15 00
Zion	200 00	Free Chapel	10 00
Conoconary	100 00	Harriss' Chapel	10 00
Ephesus	100 00	New Bethel	10 00
Littleton	100 00	Pleasant Grove	10 00
Battleboro	100 00	Samaria	10 00
Louisburg	100 00	Sandy Creek	10 00
Reedy Creek	50 00	Turkey Branch	10 00
Tarboro	60 00	Warren Plains	10 00
John Watson	50 00	J. M. Neal	10 00
Warrenton	50 00	Quankey	10 00
Mt. Zion	40 00	Fishing Creek	10 00
Philadelphia	40 00	Washington	10 00
Gardner's	30 00	Maple Spring	10 00
Greenville	30 00	Mrs. Dr. Jackson	10 00
Roanoke	30 00	N. H. Macon	10 00
Rock Springs	30 00	R. D. Harper	10 00
Cedar Rock	25 00	A. G. Willcox	10 00
Hamilton	25 00	R. E. Peele	10 00
Peach Tree	25 00	J. J. Coley	10 00
Hickory	25 00	B. T. Parker	10 00
J. A. Mundy	25 00	Pactolus	5 00
Rehoboth	25 00	P. H. Pernell	5 00
John Randolph	25 00	W. P. Sledge	5 00
W. H. Kitchen	25 00	W. W. Rosser	5 00
G. M. Duke	25 00	J. H. Freeman	5 00
Antioch	25 00	W. H. Mann	5 00
Sharon	25 00	R. H. Dickens	5 00
Corinth	20 00	W. H. Coley	5 00
Dawson's	20 00	A. D. Williams	5 00
C. M. Cooke	20 00	Aurelian Springs	5 00
Red Bud	15 00	Cypress Chapel	5 00

B. F. Higgs	$5 00	T. B. Shearin	$2 50
T. M. Egerton	5 00	J. M. Loyd	2 50
W. T. Jones	5 00	R. H. Walker	2 50
G. W. Coppedge	5 00	Levy Green	2 50
Col. J. B. Zollicoffer (paid)	5 00	J. J. Williams	2 50
H. B. S. Pitt	5 00	J. H. Odum	2 00
B. T. Tillery	5 00	T. P. Reid	2 00
T. M. Ward	5 00	W. P. Bugg (paid)	2 00
Mrs. W. P. Blake	5 00	E. Dodson (paid)	1 00
T. S. Carroll	5 00	Ambrose Cullom (paid)	1 00
J. K. Shearin	2 50	Thomas W. Shearin	1 00
W. P. Burruss	2 50	R. B. King	1 00
N. W. Shearin (paid 50c)	2 50		
Grand total			$2010 00

Report adopted.

The Treasurer of Executive Committee read his report which was referred to Bro. R. B. Browning to audit, who reported as follows:

I have examined the account of the Treasurer of the Executive Committee and find the same to be correct. R. B. Browning, Auditor.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Tar River Association

In account with Noah Biggs, Treasurer.

To cash paid Elder R. E. Peele for Pantigo section	$200 00		
" " " T. Carrick for Washington and Pactolus	200 00		
" " " F. R. Underwood for Martin county	250 00		
" " " W. P. Blake for Weldon and Halifax	200 00		
" " " J. E Carter for Toisnot	33 33		
" " " G. M. Duke for Battleboro	100 00		
" " " J. A. Pitchford for Aurelian Springs	50 00		
" " " M. R. Pernell	75 00		
" " " A. G. Willcox for Quankey and Turkey Branch	100 00		
" " " G. W. Coppedge	75 00		
" " " M. V. McDuffie for Middleburg	100 00		
" " " J. H. Freeman	40 00		
" " " R. D. Harper	40 00		
" " " W. P. Jones for Toisnot	41 66		
" " " C. A. Woodson for expenses to Weldon and Martin county	25 00		
" " " A. G. McManaway for expenses to Williamston	15 00		
" " " F. M. Jordan for 3 months' services	75 00		
" " " J. E. Hudson for expenses	25 00		
			$1644 99

1881. Credit.

Oct. 6. By amount on hand this day	$ 194 06	
" " from clerk	1503 75	
" " " Washington church	4 00	
" " " Williamston church	5 00	

Oct. 6.	By amount from Wilson church for 1883		$ 49 51
	" " " Poplar Spring church		22 00
	" " " Elder M. R. Pernell		5 00
	" " " Tarboro church		47 65
			$1830 97
	By balance due Association	$185 98	
	By amount from Prof. J. B. Brewer	25 00	
		$210 98	

The following Executive Committee was appointed for another year: C. M. Cooke, John Watson, J. T. Webb, G. W. Blount, C. J. Austin, F. J. Dennis and Noah Biggs.

Ministerial education again claimed the attention of the body, and after an impressive speech by Prof. Taylor, the following amounts were pledged:

Zion	$ 30 00	L. C. Perkinson	$ 5 00
Louisburg	30 00	F. R. Underwood	5 00
Tarboro,(C. J. A.)	25 00	Cedar Rock	5 00
Warrenton	20 00	Washington	5 00
John Watson	15 00	A. G. Willcox	5 00
T. R. Bowers	10 00	Rocky Mount	5 00
W. E. Bowers	10 00	M. V. McDuffie	5 00
Conoconary, (W. J. H.)	10 00	W. T. Jones, (paid)	5 00
Gardner's	10 00	J. M. Neal, (paid)	5 00
Reedy Creek	10 00	D. A. Glenn	5 00
Philadelphia	10 00	Jesse Shaw	5 00
Mount Zion	10 00	Enfield	2 50
Ephesus	10 00	Hickory, (paid)	3 50
Rock Springs	5 00	N. Y. Roberson	2 50
R. B. Browning	5 00	Dawson's	2 50
Corinth	5 00	W. T. Marshall	2 50
Thomas Carrick, (paid)	5 00	C. L. Sledge	2 50
Peach Tree	5 00	J. M. Morgan, (paid)	2 00
Roanoke	5 00	R. D. Harper	1 00
Red Bud	5 00	W. P. Bugg, (paid)	1 00
J. C. Coley	5 00	D. Dodson, (paid)	1 00
N. H Macon	5 00		
Total			$321 00

Elder Grissom, of the colored Baptist Church, was introduced to the Association, and made a speech in behalf of his high school at Warrenton, and a collection was taken amounting to $16.02 and given to him.

The report on Sunday Schools was called for and read by Elder Newell. [See Appendix B.]

Pending the motion to adopt, the Association adjourned until Saturday morning, 9 o'clock.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, 9 o'clock, Oct. 7th, 1882.

Exercises were conducted by Elder McDuffie.

On motion of Bro. Duke, Associational Missions were postponed until half-past ten o'clock.

Visiting brethren were again invited to seats, and accepted by Professor Hobgood, Moderator of Flat River Association, and Professor Royal, from Central Association.

Report on State Missions was the next thing in order, and read by Bro. Blake for the committee. Able speeches were made upon the subject by brethren Blake, Hufham and Marsh, after which the report was adopted. [See Appendix C.]

Report on Foreign Missions was called for and an admirable report read by Rev. A. G. McManaway, after which the same brother followed in a grand speech, worthy alike of the subject and author.

The report was adopted. [See Appendix D.]

The Clerk was instructed to have the usual number of minutes published, with blank Church Letters for each church.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

October 1881.—TAR RIVER ASSO. in acc't with A G. WILLCOX	DR.
To amount rec'd from Treasurer,	$ 40 63
" " " " Finance Committee for State Missions,	7 50
" " " " " " " Foreign "	31 14
" " " " " " " Ministerial Education,	34 24
" " " " " " " Sunday Schools ,	1 85
" " " " " " " Minute Fund,	79 81
Cash collected for State Missions,	83 00
" " " Education,	6 00
Total,	$284 17

CONTRA.

By cash paid Edwards, Broughton & Co. for Minutes,	$ 56 00
" " " B F. Montague for State Missions,	90 50
" " " " " Foreign "	31 14
" " " " " Education,	40 29
" " " " " Sunday Schools,	1 85
Expressage on record books,	30
Mailing Manuscript, Stationery,	75
Clerk's fee and transcribing Minutes,	16 00
Total,	$236 83
Balance on hand due Association,	47 34
Grand total,	$284 417

I have examined the above and find it correct,

R. B. BROWNING.

Committee to nominate Standing Committees reported as follows:

To Write on Associational Missions—L. W. Bagley, C. J. Austin, W. E. Bowers.
Periodicals—J. A. Mundy, J. C. Randolph, W. P. Blake.
Sunday Schools—R. M. Johnson, Jno. Coppedge, F. R. Underwood.
Foreign Missions—G. W. Newell, W. H. Kitchen, C. M. Cooke.
Obituaries—A. G. McManaway, D. Wester, A. G. Willcox.
Ministerial Education—Jno. Watson, R. B. Browning, H. R. Rasberry.

J. D. HUFHAM, Chairman.

The Committee to select ministers to preach stated sermons submitted the following report:

To preach the Introductory Sermon—Rev. M. V. McDuffie. *Alternate*—D. A. Glenn.
Denominational—Rev. J. D. Hufham. *Alternate*—A. G. McManaway.
Missionary Sermon—Rev. J. A. Mundy. *Alternate*—G. M. Duke.

R. M. JOHNSON,
J. W. WILLIAMS,
C. L. SLEDGE,
Committee.

Time and place of next Association was the next thing in order, and after a little pleasant rivalry, Rock Spring Church was the place decided upon, time being Thursday before the second Sunday in October, 1883.

Appointing delegates to the Baptist State Convention next claimed the attention of the body, when, by a motion made and seconded, all the delegates to the Tar River Association were appointed delegates to the Convention.

The Association was called off to hear Bro. Mills, of the Oxford Orphan Asylum.

On motion of Bro. Bunting, a collection was taken up, amounting to $10.60 for the Asylum.

The report of the Finance Committee was called for, when the following report was read:

The Commitee on Finance beg leave to submit the following

REPORT:

Received as Minute Fund				$	80 37
"	for	Associational Missions			1664 82
"	"	State	"		29 20
"	"	Foreign	"		35 52
"	"	Indian	"		5 00
"	"	Education			65 00
Total				$	1879 91

Your committee have given one of the churches credit (in our report) for $30.00, which that church sent elsewhere. We have not had the time to see which church has been wrongly credited. The whole amount of funds in hand is $1,849.91.

W. E. BOWERS,
M. C. DUKE,
Committee.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE'S TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Minute Fund.	Asso. Missions.	State Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Education.	Indian Missions.
Antioch,	$ 1 25	$ 30 00	$.....	$.....	$.....	$....
Aurelian Springs,	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bear Swamp,	1 67	200 00	1 00	1 00	50 00	.....
Brown's,	2 00	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Conoconary,	2 75	60 75	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cypress,	1 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Corinth,	2 00	30 00	.....	6 42	.....	.....
Cedar Rock,	2 50	25 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....
Gardner's,	2 00	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Greenville,	1 00	33 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Enfield,	1 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ephesus,	1 00	100 00	3 00	.....	.....	.....
Fishing Creek,	1 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Free Chapel,	1 00	10 00	2 50	.....	.....	.....
Hamilton,	1 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harriss Chapel,	1 00	10 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....
Hickory,	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Louisburg,	2 00	130 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00
Littleton,	2 00	21 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Maple Spring,	3 00	52 82	.....	7 30	.....	.....
Mount Zion,	1 50	40 00	2 70	3 00	5 00	.....
Mount Olivet,	1 00	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Bethel,	1 50	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Hope,	1 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Peach Tree,	2 10	21 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Philadelphia,	2 80	25 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....
Pleasant Grove,	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Poplar Spring,	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Red Bud,	1 50	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rehoboth,	1 50	25 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....
Rock Spring,	1 50	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reedy Creek,	2 00	25 00	7 00	4 05	5 00	.....
Roanoke,	1 00	16 75	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rocky Mount,	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Samaria,	2 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandy Creek,	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sharon,	2 00	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tarboro,	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Turkey Branch,	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Warrenton,	2 30	65 00	.....	2 75	.....	.....
Warren Plains,	1 25	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilson,	2 00	26 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Zion,	3 50	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shiloh,	3 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Quankey,	1 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Elm Grove,	1 50	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington,	1 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dawson's,	1 50	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....
Battleboro,	1 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total,	$80 37	*$1664 82	$29 20	$35 52	$65 00	$5 00

* Whole amount for Associational Missions from churches and individuals.

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES FOR ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS AS PAID TO FINANCE COMMITTEE.

J. A. Mundy,	$ 35 00	S. R. Duke,	$ 5 00
C. M. Cooke,	25 00	J. O. P. Jones,	5 00
G. M. Duke,	25 00	J. C. Marks,	5 00
John Watson,	25 00	Thomas Carrick,	5 00
J. D. Hufham,	20 00	Pactolus,	5 00
N. H. Macon,	10 00	J. J. Coley,	5 00
R. E. Peele,	10 00	D. Wester,	5 00
D. A. Glenn,	10 00	M. V. McDuffie,	5 00
T. R. Bowers,	10 00	R. D. Harper,	5 00
A. G. Willcox,	10 00	G. W. Coppedge,	5 00
Calvin Willder	5 00	Mrs. M. T. Willcox	5 00
Mrs. A. W. Jackson	5 00	P. H. Pernell,	5 00
Geo. A. Branch,	5 00	J. A. Pope,	2 50
M. C. Duke,	5 00	H. G. Qualls,	2 00

Total for Associational Missions, ... $1664 82

It may be in this report that some brother is wrongly credited, or some may have paid who have not been credited. In either case, please notify the clerk. This was owing to the fact that the minute which contained the names as they were checked off was mislaid, the clerk supposing that the names were in the table of the Finance Committee.

Will the church that was wrongly credited with the thirty dollars, or failed to pay to the Finance Committee, please notify the clerk, or W. E. Bowers, Brinkleyville, N. C., as soon as convenient? CLERK.

The following resolution, by Bro. McDuffie, was offered and passed:

Inasmuch as brethren George Coppedge and J. W. Sledge are desirous of going to school, with a view to preparing themselves for more efficient service in the Gospel Ministry, and are unable to defray all the expense that they will necessarily incur by so doing,

Resolved, 1st, That the Association request the Educational Board of Wake Forest to appropriate $125.00 of the contributions of this Association to the help of these two brothers, giving $62 50 to each of them.

Resolved, 2nd, That these brethren be advised to go to school to Rev. O. L. Stringfield, from January 1st to the last of June.

Resolved, 3rd, That at the expiration of that time, the Educational Board make further appropriation to said brethren, if in their wisdom such a course be considered advisable, and that the amount of said appropriation be reported to this Association,

G. M. DUKE,
M. V. MCDUFFIE.

The report on Home Missions was called for and read by Bro. Dodson, and a speech by the brother in the interest of the Board, and a collection was taken but the clerk did not learn the amount. The report was adopted. (See appendix E.)

The following resolution of thanks offered by Bro. A. G. McManaway was unanimously passed by the Association:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association are eminently due, and are

hereby heartily tendered to the brethren and friends in and near Littleton for their hospitality during the session, and to the Methodists for the use of their house of worship.

The reading of the minutes was dispensed with. Prayer, Elder G. M. Duke leading.

The Association adjourned *sine die.*

J. T. WEBB, MODERATOR.

A. G. WILLCOX, *Clerk and Treasurer.*

SERVICES.

Thursday night Elder Blake occupied the pulpit at the Baptist church. Text: Luke 17, 32—"Remember Lot's wife."

Saturday morning, at Methodist church, Elder Marsh preached. Text: Malachi 3, 17.

Saturday afternoon, at Methodist church, Elder F. R. Underwood. Text: Luke 18, 22—"Yet lackest thou one thing."

Friday night, at Baptist church, Elder Carrick preached. Text: 84th Psalm, 11th verse.

Saturday night, at the Baptist church, Elder Duke preached a most impressive sermon. Text: 2 Cor. 5, 20.

Sunday, at the Methodist church, Dr. Mundy preached. Text: Gospel by John 7, 17. Same hour at the Baptist church, Dr. Hufham preached. Text not known.

Services also at Methodist and Baptist churches in afternoon and at night.

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX A.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

We believe, as regards the moral, literary and religious improvement, this is almost universally conceded to be an age unprecedented by any, particularly in North Carolina. From the statistics which pass under our observation, from time to time, we are convinced, and feel no little pleasure in saying, that the Baptists of North Carolina are keeping fully up, if not leading, in the pursuit of moral, literary and religious culture. Among the most efficient means, with which God has blessed us, to nurture and forward this work, is the BIBLICAL RECORDER, the long tried and time honored journal of the Baptists of this State. While we rejoice to know that at present the Baptists of North Carolina have a religious organ, the editorial management of which is not to be surpassed by any paper of like character North or South, and while the present large list of subscribers bespeak its merits and extent of appreciation among the Baptists of the State, yet it is to be *deeply* regretted that so many of our brethren and sisters *never see* the BIBLICAL RECORDER, and are thus deprived of the very best, if not the only means by which they can possibly become acquainted with the institutions and operations of the religious denomination which they represent. It should be a fixed purpose in the mind of every pastor and missionary in the State to see that the BIBLICAL RECORDER is taken and read in every family professing to represent the interests of the Baptist denomination in this State, for without it there must forever be among the masses a deficiency in the co-operative work of the denomination. Besides this, the weekly visits of the BIBLICAL RECORDER cost but two dollars per year, while we conceive it to be of incalculable value as an educator and an expounder of the Word of God to thousands who regularly peruse its columns and would be to thousands more were they to avail themselves, as they should, of the same privilege and blessing. Your committee would also recommend to the churches and Sabbath schools of this Association KIND WORDS, a small paper admirably adapted to the Sunday school work, and which is now offered to clubs and schools upon such terms as it seems would make it available to all that may desire it. We also recommend to this Association and Baptists of the State the FOREIGN MISSION JOURNAL as doing a work in the interest of missions that cannot well be dispensed with.

L. C. PERKINSON, Chairman.

APPENDIX B.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

That the Sunday School work is an object of Christian effort which is of the highest importance is very generally admitted. The past few years show that increased interest is being taken in this work: and the Baptist State Sunday School Convention, organized only a year or two ago, gives promise of fostering and deepening this growing interest. It is to be regretted that there is yet in many places among us a want of that earnest persevering interest in the Sunday School to which the subject is entitled. How may this be remedied is a question presented for our consideration. We know that some one energetic brother in each church having the love of the work and of the children, and a determined purpose to make the school successful and prosperous would almost certainly assure its vitality and usefulness. How may these brethren be drawn out? It is altogether impracticable that the pastor of several scattered churches should be regularly in charge of the schools at any one of them; but his influence in behalf of Sunday Schools should be earnest and outspoken. He can and

should seek out and find the brethren in each congregation having special fitness for this work and should labor to convince them and their churches of their duty and of the importance of its proper and faithful discharge. Should pastors fail to do this, or fail of success in their efforts, another plan is suggested: It was recommended in the report on this subject to your session last year that this body appoint a Sunday School Missionary to devote his time specially to the work. The proper time in our history for taking this step may not have arrived, but many among us are convinced that it will have to be taken before the Sunday School becomes general in every neighborhood, and proves to be in every community as it is now found to be in many—a nursery of the church in which young plants are trained for the Master's use to become in due time "trees of righteousness," the planting of the Lord that he might be glorified.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. Newell,
Noah Biggs,
Committee.

APPENDIX C.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Every Christian should pray that the State may be given to the Lord, and as members of the Baptist denomination, it becomes the duty of every one holding Baptist principles to do that which is in his power towards that end. If we believe that the principles upon which our church is founded conform to those promulgated by the Saviour, perpetuated by His Apostles, glorified at the stake, and surviving the direst persecution for centuries, how much the more is it encumbent upon us to advance doctrines in this day of religious liberty and freedom of conscience, from which nothing but good can result to our fellow-men?

As Baptists we naturally wish a wide dissemination of Baptist principles, and while we rejoice in the good accomplished by others, yet to be consistent Baptists, we desire the principles of the Baptist church to be spread all over this broad land, because we believe that they are identically the same instituted and practiced by Him who died that we might be saved. And we earnestly pray that the great heart of our denomination may be moved by the Holy Spirit in reference to this great work.

State Missions is of paramount importance, and in proportion as they are in a healthy condition so are the other objects of our Association. Suppose the Baptists of North Carolina contribute a given amount to Foreign Missions, Sunday Schools, and Ministeral Education, it follows, therefore, that if there were twice as many Baptists twice as much would be accomplished for the advancement of the Lord's kingdom here on earth. And it is our experience that in this manner our denomination has become strong, destitute places have been reclaimed, and the gospel has been preached by devoted men where its blessed influence was not known.

Then if it is proved to be our duty, be up and at work; we want no laggards in the camp. Remember that the Lord sitteth over against the Treasury and knoweth whether we give according to our means.

Reports that come to us from the different sections are cheering. We believe that we are making progress, and we know that portions of the State that were destitute, now are blessed with self-sustaining, flourishing Baptist churches.

Bro. Ray, the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of State Missions, says that we will need fourteen hundred dollars in order to go up to the Convention out of debt. It is so easy for the masses of the Baptist church to raise so small an amount. Let our Association do its duty.

However, much more remains to be done, the land is before us and the harvest is white unto the sickle, let us go forth and take possession in the name of the Lord. Let us help those consecrated men who have gone forth to work

in the Lord's vineyard, with our prayers and our means, and if we work in concert, earnestly praying for and expecting Divine blessings, we ought to have an abiding faith that what we ask will be given to us.

We would remember the holy injunction that is applicable to our whole work: "Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo, I am with you alway even unto the end of the world."

Respectfully submitted, WALTER E. DANIEL.

APPENDIX D.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your committee beg leave to report to the churches of the Tar River Association that the work of preaching the Gospel to foreign nations is being gradually carried forward. The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention now has missionaries in Africa, Asia, Europe, South America and Mexico. From nearly every missionary station there comes tidings of success and of God's blessing. Abroad all is hopeful and encouraging. The disheartening feature is found at home in the apathy and indifference manifested by our churches toward this great work. It ought to be a matter of humiliation to us that 350 of the 685 Baptist churches of North Carolina are reported in the minutes of the Southern Baptist Convention as having contributed nothing whatever to Foreign Missions during the whole of last year. The other 335 churches contributed little enough.

Let us see to it, brethren, that the Tar River Association does her part in carrying out the great commission of our adorable Redeemer. Our own Associational missions are important, but let us not become so wrapped up in them as to forget that the field is the world.

Respectfully submitted, A. G. MCMANAWAY.

APPENDIX E.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Baptists in the South have preached a great deal in the country and deserve much credit, but they have neglected cities and towns. The Saviour and his apostles would go *first* into towns. The Home Board has supplied this great omission and cultivated many cities and towns in the South which have yielded a rich harvest to *all* our various Boards. It has cultivated towns in North Carolina and pushed the State forward 20 years on the tide of time. What it has been to North Carolina it has been to *all* the Southern States.

NEW ORLEANS.

Besides other cities and destitute places in the South, it is cultivating New Orleans, a city of 225,000 souls, one-half of whom are Catholics. Elder M. C. Cole attends the First church, supported partly by the First church and partly by the Mississippi Baptist Convention. He has two ladies with him supported by the same Convention.

Elder S. Landrum attends the Colliseum Place church supported in part by this church, and in part by the Home Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. The church debt is about $10,000. The Southern Baptist Convention at Greenville, South Carolina pledged $5,000 to pay the debt and the church will raise $3,500 more or less.

We must cultivate the towns as did Christ and His Apostles.

CITY MISSIONS.

Baptists are beginning to have chapels and city missions North and South. One church in New York raised $7,000 for city missions.

Though the Baptists in New York have forty churches and other denominations a great many, yet 700,000 in that great city do not attend church. They never will unless they have a great many plain chapels like those of London.

INDIANS.

The Creek Nation donated $5,000 to a school building and $8,400 to teaching and boarding annually. The Baptists in Baltimore and Louisville make much clothing for them. Pupils 120. Missionaries 6.

CALIFORNIA.

Dr. Hartwell, wife, and Mrs. Sanford are laboring among the Chinese of California; also Mrs. Bunting, whose salary is paid by the Baptist Convention of California.

The Baptists of North Carolina and South Carolina agreed to support Bro. Hartwell and wife. Let not the promise fall to the ground.

WOMEN'S WORK.

Of the 500 Women's Missionary Societies only thirty-one helped the Home Board in 1881. It is hoped that more will aid.

KIND WORDS.

Weekly, semi-weekly, monthly and quarterly lesson leaflets and Child's Gem combined together have a *monthly* circulation of 200,000; annually of 2,000,000. They have published three excellent catechisms.

They pay a royalty of $1,000 per year.

Total number of missionaries, &c., in *all* the fields, 41; cash raised, nearly $29,000. Respectfully submitted,

E. Dodson.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2nd. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.

3d. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.

4th. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before, but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.

5th. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.

6th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.

7th. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.

8th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.

9th. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

10th. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to a vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

11th. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules, shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.

CONSTITUTION.

1st. The Association shall be composed of the pastors, and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2nd. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated and died since the last Association.

3rd. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4th. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

5th. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6th. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7th. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8th. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9th. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10th. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11th. The Association shall have power to enquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12th. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13th. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, who they esteem of good moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in council.

14th. This Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches, respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the gospel, and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15th. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

16th. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches.	Counties.	Pastors.	Clerks and P. O.	Sabbath of preaching.	Additions.			Diminutions.			White Males.	White Females.	Total White.	Colored.	Total.
					Baptisms.	Letter.	Restored	Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.					
Antioch	Halifax	R. D. Harper	J. J. Partin, Heathville	1	....	1	1	1	2	1	20	65	85	2	87
Aurelian Springs	Halifax	J. A. Pitchford	Jas. Walker, Aurelian Springs	2	....	....	...	1	....	...	7	7	14	....	14
Bear Swamp	Halifax	Vernon I'Anson	J. H. Connell, Brinkleyville	4	....	1	...	....	1	1	37	50	87	9	96
Brown's	Warren	D. A. Glenn	John Watson, Warrenton	....	....	....	...	3	....	1	25	55	80	96	176
Conconary	Halifax	W. J. Hopkins	Dr. J. R. Pope, Crowell's	1, 3	16	2	...	14	7	1	76	99	175	....	175
Corinth	Franklin	M. V. McDuffie	A. D. Ellis, Henderson	2	6	....	1	4	4	1	40	65	105	....	105
Cedar Rock	Franklin	G. W. Newell	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	1, 3	9	7	1	2	1	...	51	61	112	....	112
Cypress Chapel	Franklin	Geo. Coppedge	W. B. Stallings, Mapleville	3	11	2	...	....	4	2	13	38	51	2	53
Dawson's	Franklin	W. J. Hopkins	B. C. Dunn, Dawson's X Roads	4	17	3	...	1	1	...	12	15	27	....	27
Elm Grove	Nash	M. R. Pernell	Francis Rackley, Nashville	4	6	28	...	....	4	1	35	46	81	....	81
Enfield	Halifax	W. J. Hopkins	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	2	....	4	...	....	....	...	11	9	20	....	20
Ephesus	Nash	G. W. Coppedge	H. M. Warren, Wilson	4	5	6	...	1	....	...	17	17	34	....	34
Fishing Creek	Nash	J. H. Freeman	M. Bobbitt, Ringwood	3	13	6	...	....	....	...	10	15	25	....	25
Free Chapel	Nash	R. D. Harper	T. A. Bone, Nashville	4	4	....	...	....	2	...	14	26	40	....	40
Gardner's	Warren	D. A. Glenn	Joseph W. Shearin, Macon	3	....	....	...	....	2	..	30	72	102	....	102
Greenville	Pitt	Thos. Carrick	David J. Whichard, Greenville	3	3	....	1	....	....	...	13	54	67	....	67
Hamilton	Martin	F. R. Underwood	R. B. Salisbury, Hamilton	1	18	3	...	....	....	...	14	32	46	....	46
Harriss Chapel	Halifax	A. G. Willcox	B. Y. Harriss, Arcola	3	3	1	...	1	2	...	16	24	40	....	40
Hickory	Nash	G. M. Duke	B. F. Drake, Battleboro	1	9	....	1	10	3	..	30	37	67	..	67
Louisburg	Franklin	A. G. McManaway	A. M. Hall, Louisburg	1, 3	1	7	...	....	....	5	38	55	93	....	93
Littleton	Halifax	D. A. Glenn	W. L. Bobbitt, Littleton	4	....	....	...	5	3	1	45	49	94	....	94
Mt. Vernon	Nash	G. M. Duke	J. H. Herbert, Battleboro	2	1	3	...	....	....	...	6	4	10	....	10
Maple Spring	Franklin	P. H. Pernell	A. W. Jackson, Mapleville	4	....	7	...	9	1	4	37	76	113	....	113
Mt. Zion	Franklin	G. M. Duke	A. P. Joyner, Laurel	2	9	1	...	3	4	2	38	72	110	....	110
Mt. Olivet	Franklin	E. F. Beachum	Fenner Tharington, Franklinton	3	....	....	...	....	....	...	11	31	42	....	42
New Bethel	Vance	Geo. W. Coppedge	E. W. Green, Louisburg	1	4	1	1	2	1	...	41	66	107	...	107
New Hope	Wilson	M. R. Pernell	H. H. Williams, Wilson	2	....	....	...	....	9	5	42	44	86	....	86
Peach Tree	Nash	P. H. Pernell	J. H. Edwards, Castalia	1	7	2	...	3	2	3	70	134	204	....	204
Philadelphia	Nash	G. M. Duke	Jas. V. Bunting, Hilliardston	4	17	3	1	5	....	1	50	87	137	1	138
Pleasant Grove	Nash	R. D. Harper	Y. R. Hinton, Nashville	3	....	....	...	2	4	1	34	78	112	4	116
Poplar Spring	Franklin	O. L. Stringfield	J. H. Cheaves, Sutton	3	1	....	...	9	1	2	109	204	313	1	314

Pine Forest															
Quankey	Halifax	A. G. Willcox	R. H. Walker, Weldon	4	20			1			16	16	32		32
Red Bud	Franklin	P. H. Pernell	Sam'l Harper, Castalia	2	20		1	12	1	1	55	115	170		170
Rehoboth	Nash	G. M. Duke	G. T. Coley, Rocky Mount	3	15	1	1			2			102		102
Reedy Creek	Warren	A. G. Willcox	B. P. Davis, Warrenton	1	5	3	2	2	14	5	52	87	139	3	142
Rock Springs	Franklin	M. R. Pernell	J. H. Odum, Louisburg	1	6	2	1	2	7		48	58	106		106
Roanoke	Halifax	W. P. Blake	Walter E. Daniel, Weldon	2, 4	2	5	3	2	1	1	18	17	35		35
Rocky Mount	Nash	W. P. Blake	H. D. Avery, Rocky Mount		17								36		36
Samaria	Nash	G. W. Coppedge	Wesley Privett, Stanhope	2	10	8			1	1	58	119	177	1	178
Sandy Creek	Frankiin	P. H. Pernell	N. Davis		16	2	4		1		61	123	184	3	187
Sharon	Warren	D. A. Glenn	P. R. Perkinson, Warren Plains	1				5	8		43	80	123		123
Shiloh (colored)	Vance	Jefferson Burwell	Handy Crudup, Kittrell's		13	6	8		11	4				577	577
Tarboro	Edgecombe														
Toisnot															
Turkey Branch	Halifax	A. G. Willcox	D. C. Thrower, Enfield,	2	8	2			5	1	10	13	23		23
Washington		Thos. Carrick	Jas. H. Foyles, Washington	1		8	2			1	10	25	35		35
Warrenton	Warren	J. A. Mundy	Jno. M. Waddell, Warrenton	1,2,3,4							43	52	95		95
Warren Plains	Warren	D. A. Glenn	W. B. Hundley, Warren Plains	1	11	3		2	1	1	23	30	53		53
Wilson	Wilson	W. T. Jones	B. F. Briggs, Wilson	1,2,4		5		9	1		21	35	56		56
Williamston															
Zion	Halifax	J. D. Hufham	W. H. Ragsdale, Scotland Neck	1,2,3	18	3		5	3	1	50	61	111		111
					321	125	29	116	112	50			4156	699	4855

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Associat'nal Missions.	Indian Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Church Expenses.	Church Extension.	Sunday Schools.	Minute Fund.	Other Objects.	Home Missions.	Incidental Expenses.	Parsonage.	Total.
Antioch	$ 75 00	$.....	$.....	$ 30 00	$.....	$.....	$ 15 00	$.....	$.....	$1 25	$.....	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 121 25
Aurelian Springs	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Bear Swamp	200 00	1 00	.....	200 00	.....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	1 67	.....	1 00	.....	.....	503 67
Brown's	150 00	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	152 00
Conoconary	400 00	7 12	.....	135 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	547 88	.....	.....	.....	1115 00
Corinth	150 00	6 42	6 00	30 00	.....	.....	12 00	.....	.....	2 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	207 42
Cedar Rock	100 00	5 00	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	132 50
Cypress Chapel	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00
Dawson's	100 00	.....	5 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	111 50
Elm Grove	100 00	.....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	110 50
Enfield	100 00	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	25 00	.....	2 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	132 00
Ephesus	50 00	.....	3 00	100 00	.....	.....	840 22	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	990 22
Fishing Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25
Free Chapel	50 00	.....	2 50	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	63 50
Gardner's	150 00	.....	.....	30 00	.....	21 15	.....	.....	5 00	2 00	15 00	35 00	.....	.....	258 15
Greenville	$ 400 00	4 50	.....	33 00	26 00	.....	23 64	.....	12 00	1 00	318 67	.....	.....	.....	818 81
Hamilton	200 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 00	1 00	.....	.....	25 00	.....	243 00
Harris' Chapel	50 00	.....	2 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	63 00
Hickory	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Louisburg	500 00	15 00	10 00	105 00	20 00	15 00	50 00	75 00	75 00	2 00	230 00	.....	.....	.....	1117 00
Littleton	175 00	.....	.....	21 00	.....	.....	125 00	.....	5 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	328 00
Mt. Vernon	100 00	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	106 00
Maple Springs	100 00	7 30	.....	52 82	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	163 12
Mt. Olivet	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Mt. Zion	150 00	3 00	2 70	40 00	.....	5 00	15 00	.....	.....	1 50	13 30	.....	.....	.....	230 50
New Bethel	60 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	71 00
New Hope	100 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	111 00
Peach Tree	100 00	.....	.....	21 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 10	.....	.....	.....	.....	123 10
Philadelphia	125 00	1 00	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	153 80
Pleasant Grove	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Poplar Spring	150 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	400 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	552 00
Pine Forest	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Quankey	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 00
Red Bud	75 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	96 50
Rehoboth	125 00	.....	1 00	25 00	.....	.....	156 00	.....	.....	1 50	5 00	.....	.....	.....	318 50

Reedy Creek	100 00	4 05	10 00	25 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	146 05
Rock Springs	.....	.....	.....	30 00	.....	.....	60 00	.....	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	91 50
Roanoke	300 00	2 50	4 50	25 00	.....	.....	67 50	35 00	.....	1 00	14 50	.....	.....	.....	450 00
Rocky Mount	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	585 00	.....	.....	.....	57 25	.....	34 00	.....	776 25
Samaria	50 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	77 00
Sandy Creek	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Sharon	150 00	.....	.....	20 00	.....	10 00	5 00	.....	5 00	2 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	202 00
Shiloh, (Colored)	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 00
Tarboro	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Toisnot	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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SUNDAY SCHOOL STATISTICS.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	Officers & Teachers.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Volumes.	Conversions.	No. months School kept open.	Kind Words taken.	Other papers taken.	Contributions.
Cypress,	W. J. Wilder,	7	78	50	.....	...	12	25	...	$25 00
Conoconary,	H. H. Rasberry,	12	104	70	.....	...	12	12	...	.....
Corinth,	P. J. Dement,	4	40	30	75	...	8	...	...	.....
Cedar Rock,	Jno. A. Coppedge,	8	40	25	.....	...	12	.....	...	.....
" " No. 2	Jno. W. Sledge,	10	53	.....	.....	...	8	.....	...	.....
Dawson's,	B. F. Tillery,	7	40	18	.....	...	12	8	...	.....
Enfield,	F. J. Dennis,	5	23	15	....	...	12	10	...	15 00
Ephesus,	J. T. Webb,	5	50	40	.....	...	.....	.....	...	.....
Greenville,	P. P. Lawrence,	11	65	50	300	3	12	50	...	.....
Gardner's	Jas. R. Rodwell,	15	39	25	79	...	12	.....	...	20 00
Littleton,	J. E McCraw,	6	35	25	.....	...	3	.....	...	.....
Fishing Creek,	Ferrell Parish,	7	29	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	...	.....
Hamilton,	C. J. Hunter,	10	57	.....	.....	...	.....	60	...	7 00
Louisburg,	C. M. Cooke,	12	82	.....	.....	...	12	.....	...	75 00
Mount Zion,	George Cooper,	9	58	31	60	...	8	12	18	.....
New Bethel,	Samuel J. Matthews,	5	60	25	.....	...	6	.....	...	.....
Poplar Spring,	Nos. 1, 2, and 3,	19	285	185	.....	...	12	.....	...	.....
Roanoke,		6	30	25	.....	..	12	.....	...	.....
Red Bud,	J. H. Colbard,	10	70	30	.....	...	6	.....	...	.....
Rocky Mount,	H. D. Avery,	10	60	.....	.....	...	12	.....	...	.....
Rocky Spring,	J. L. Cheares,	6	25	15	.....	...	6	.....	...	.....
Sandy Creek,	J. J. Ward,	7	82	65	.....	5	.....	.....	...	.....
Sharon,	Jas. H. Hicks,	5	55	30	100	...	9	.....	...	.....
Samaria,	B. T. Strickland,	8	50	35	.....	...	6	.....	...	.....
Warrenton,	L. A Williams,	12	70	65	300	...	12	.....	...	.....
Washington,	Jas. H. Foyles,	9	66	50	30	...	12	40	...	.....
Warren Plains,	S. P Flemming,	12	60	30	70	...	12	21	...	.....
Zion,	Dr. R. M. Johnson,	18	125	110	200	..	12	.....	...	150 00
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REV. J. D. HUFHAM, ... Scotland Neck.
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" R. E. PEELE, ... Pantego.
" M. V. MCDUFFIE, ... Henderson.
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" M. R. PERNELL, ... Franklinton.
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" THOMAS CARRICK, ... Greenville.
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" W. J. HOPKINS, ... Crowell's.
" C. A. WOODSON, ... Enfield.
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LICENTIATE—JOHN W. SLEDGE.

PROCEEDINGS.

ROCK SPRING CHURCH,
Franklin Co., October 11th, 1883.

The Tar River Association met here to-day in its fifty-third annual session.

In absence of the regular appointee, and his alternate, the Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. W. J. Hopkins, of Conoconary Church—text, Third Epistle of John, 2d verse.

Elder Booth, Pastor of Church, extended a hearty welcome to delegates and visitors.

After an intermission of an hour the Association assembled, and in absence of Moderator, Bro. W. E. Bowers was elected Moderator *pro tem.*

Association led in prayer by Rev. G. M. Duke.

Brethren J. A. Pitchford and E. E. Hilliard elected reading clerks, and Rev. W. J. Hopkins and A. W. Jackson, Finance Committee.

The roll of churches was then called, and the following churches answered by delegates and letters:

Antioch—Lewis Sledge, B. T. Parker.
Aurelian Springs—
Bear Swamp—W. E. Bowers, Robert Brinkley.
Brown's—John Watson, John Allen, Howard Allen.
Conoconary—Rev. R. E. Peele, W. J. Hopkins, James Pope, Ralph Pitman
Corinth—P. J. Dement, T. S. Carroll.
Cedar Rock—R. R. Boone, E. S. Green, J. W. Sledge.
Cypress Chapel—J. T. Sledge, W. B. Stallings, M. E. Joyner.
Dawson's—J. M. Tillery.
Elm Grove—W. D. Whitley, D. C. Braswell, S. S. Batchelor.
Enfield—C. A. Woodson.
Ephesus—W. M. Warren, W. P. Lamb.
Fishing Creek—T. M. Ward, Jacob Alford.
Free Chapel—G. N. Langley, A. D. Davis.
Gardner's—J. W. Shearin, H. S. Shearin, John T. Rodwell.
Greenville—Thomas Carrick.
Hamilton—F. R. Underwood. J. H. Sherrod.
Harriss' Chapel—Richard Harper, B. Y. Harriss, Gardner Shearin.
Hickory—J. M. Edwards, W. H. Sexton.
Louisburg—J. P. Timberlake, C M. Cooke, J. H. Upperman.
Littleton—Jesse Carter.
Mt. Vernon—J. M. Neal, G. M. Duke.
Maple Springs—Clarance Stokes, A. W. Jackson, S. M. Boone.
Mt. Olivet—
Mt. Zion—William Cooper, W. H. Bell, W. A. Burnett.

New Bethel—B. F. Stanback, S. M. Hicks.
New Hope—
Peach Tree—J. W. Bowden, J. T. Wilder.
Philadelphia—A. C. Griffin, C. E. Hedgepeth.
Pleasant Grove—John Hinton, W. F. Hollingsworth, Gid. Coggin.
Poplar Springs—N. A. Jones, L. H. Joyner, A. J. White.
Pine Forest—
Quankie—By letter.
Red Bud—Joseph Coppedge, Nathan Falk, D. B. Pierce.
Rehoboth—J. G. Barkley, Benjamin Westry, William Coley.
Reedy Creek—Stephen Duke, Walter Duke.
Rock Springs—Bryant Wilder, C. H. Wheless, W. H. Merritt.
Roanoke—By letter.
Rocky Mt—T. M. Arrington, J. J. Coley.
Samaria—Henry Hagwood, James S. Hagwood.
Sandy Creek—Wesley Burnett, E. M. Gupton.
Sharon—L. C. Perkinson.
Shiloh (*colored*)—Handy Crudup, French Perry.
Tarboro—
Toisnot—
Turkey Branch—G. T. Saunders, William Hull.
Washington—
Warrenton—
Warren Plains—W. D. Weldon, W. E. Hawks.
Wilson—
Williamston—
Zion—E. E. Hilliard.

Mt. Zion and Red Bud petition for Association next year.

All the letters being read, the Association went into permanent organization by electing Bro. John Watson, Moderator, and re-electing A. G. Willcox, Clerk and Treasurer.

Letters from new churches, asking for admission into our body being called for. John's Chapel and Carmel presented their letters, which was read and referred to a committee, consisting of J. A. Pitchford, C. A. Woodson and F. R. Underwood, to enquire into orthodoxy of same.

Invitation extended to visiting brethren, and accepted by Rev. J. M. McManaway, of Kentucky.

Committee to write on Periodicals being absent, the following brethren were appointed to prepare a report on same: Rev. C. A. Woodson, John Allen and Robert Brinkley.

Brethren J. D. Hufham, E. E. Hilliard and G. M. Duke were appointed committee of Arrangements, who reported through their chairman

THE ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Meet at 9½ o'clock and adjourn at 12½ o'clock; meet at 2 o'clock and adjourn at will.
2. Appointment of Committees.
3. Associational Missions.
4. Report of Committees.
5. Miscellaneous business.

J. D. HUFHAM, *Chairman.*

Report on Associational Missions made special order for to-morrow, 11 o'clock.

Pastor and Deacons of Church appointed a committee on religious exercises.

Ministers present (*ex-officio*) members of Association, J. D. Hufham, F. R. Underwood, Thos. Carrick, W. J. Hopkins, C. A. Woodson, G. M. Duke, G. W. Newell, Geo. Coppedge, J. A. Pitchford, M. R. Pernell, R. D. Harper, J. G. Barkley, Daniel Wester, M. D. Freeman, J. H. Booth, M. J. Willoughby and A. G. Willcox.

Association adjourned until to-morrow, 9½ o'clock.

Prayer, Elder C. A. Woodson leading.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9½ O'CLOCK.

Association met pursuant to adjournment.

Religious exercises conducted by Professor Taylor.

Letters from churches not on hand yesterday read and delegates enrolled. Minutes of yesterday read, corrected and adopted.

Invitation to visiting brethren again extended, and Prof. Taylor of Central Association, James S. Purefoy of Wake Forest, Rev. T. J. Horner of Henderson, and Rev. C. T. Bailey of *Biblical Recorder*, accepted seats.

Request from Shiloh (colored) Church to examine into ministerial fitness of Rev. Patric Crudup of that church, was granted, and a presbytery consisting of Brethren J. G. Barkley, Daniel Wester and Thos. Carrick were appointed and, after a careful examination, reported as follows:

Your committee to whom was referred the examination of candidate for ordination, report the examination made, and recommend that said brother be ordained.

J. G. BARKLEY,
D. WESTER,
THOS. CARRICK, } *Com.*

Committee to select committee to write on stated subjects: C. A. Woodson, Thos. Carrick and H. B. S. Pitt.

Committee to select ministers to preach stated sermons: W. E. Bowers, E. S. Green and J. M. Neal.

Time and place of next Association came up, and Mt. Zion was place decided upon, time being Thursday before second Sunday in October, 1884.

Hour for Special Order having arrived, Associational

Missions next claimed the attention of the body. Bro. E. E. Hilliard read the

REPORT OF TREASURER.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *in Account with* NOAH BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

1883.

Oct. 10.	To cash paid Elder W. T. Jones, for services at Toisnot for two quarters,	$ 50 00	
	To cash paid Eld. F. R. Underwood, for services in Martin county,	250 00	
	To cash paid Eld. J. H. Freeman, for service at Fishing Creek,	25 00	
	To cash paid Eld. G. W. Newell, for services, Fishing Creek,	66 67	
	To cash paid Eld. A. G. Willcox, for services, Quankie and Turkey Branch,	100 00	
	To cash paid Eld. G. W. Duke, for services at Battleboro,	100 00	
	To cash paid Eld. R. E. Peele, for services at Pantego in Beaufort county,	300 00	
	To cash paid Eld. R. D. Harper, for services rendered,	50 00	
	To cash paid Eld. W. P. Blake, for one quarter's services at Weldon and Halifax,	50 00	
	To cash paid Weldon Church,	75 00	
	To cash paid Eld. M. V. McDuffie, for services at Middleburg,	100 00	
	To cash paid Eld. Thomas Carrick, for services at Washington and Pactolus,	200 00	
	To cash paid Eld. G. W. Coppedge, for services rendered,	75 00	
	To cash paid Eld. C. A. Woodson, for services at Enfield and Halifax,	175 00	
	To cash paid Eld. J. E. Hudson, for two months' services rendered,	50 00	
	To amount to balance,	174 12	

CREDITS.

By amount on hand last Association,		185 98
" " from Prof. J. B. Brewer,		25 00
" " of Clerk of Association,		1,627 31
" " of Eld. A. G. Willcox,		2 50
	$1,840 79	$1,840 79
Total amount received by Treasurer,	1,840 79	
" " paid out by Treasurer,		1,666 67
By amount in hands of Treasurer this day,		$ 174 12

The Report was referred to Bro. W. E. Bowers to audit and, after examining accounts, submitted the following:

I have examined the accounts of Noah Biggs, Treasurer, of the Executive Committee, Tar River Association, and find same to be correct.

W. E. BOWERS, *Auditor.*

Report adopted.

Bro. Hufham, for Chairman, read the encouraging report on Associational Missions:

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

During the year brethren McDuffie, Willcox, Harper, Duke, Woodson, Underwood, Carrick, Newell and Peele have been engaged in the mission-work. Middleburg, Vance county; Turkey Branch, Quankie, Harriss' Chapel, Fishing Creek, Free Chapel and Enfield, Halifax county; Battleboro, Nash county; several points in Martin county; Pactolus in Pitt county; Washington and Pantego in Beaufort county have been occupied.

At Middleburg steady progress has been made, and under regular and directed labor, there will soon be a self-sustaining church at that point.

At Turkey Branch Bro. Willcox has labored statedly, and with encouraging indications, though the brethren have been greatly cumbered by the necessary work of building a house of worship. A singularly beautiful and convenient house is in progress. Some seven hundred dollars have been expended thus far. A little help is greatly needed to furnish windows and doors so that the house can be occupied during the winter. It is an important enterprise and contributions to finish it will be worthily bestowed. At Quankie rich blessings have rested on the labors of Bro. Willcox. The church was organized two years ago with nine members; it now has more than forty. A comfortable house of worship has been built and paid for and every indication is encouraging. Fifteen persons have been baptized into the fellowship of the church during the year. The brethren propose to support their own pastor hereafter; also, to contribute to sustain the mission-work of the Association.

At Harriss' Chapel Bro. Willcox has been laboring as voluntary missionary. A house has been built and paid for. During the year six persons have been baptized.

Elder G. W. Coppedge has labored at three points in Nash county, baptizing three persons and organizing one church.

At Enfield Bro. Woodson has been greatly encouraged. Thirteen have been added to the church during the year, and he is hoping for others at an early day. At Halifax he has not been without encouragement, though we are still without a church organization at that point.

At Fishing Creek Bro. Newell has been preaching for a few months, since the retirement of Bro. Freeman. It is too early for large visible results, though Bro. N. thinks that the field gives promise of a rich harvest in due season. The brethren are greatly hindered by the unfinished condition of their house of worship.

At Battleboro Bro. Duke has been preaching once a month to attentive congregations, though there have been no additions to the membership.

At Free Chapel Bro. Harper has been preaching once a month. He reports nothing specially cheering in his field.

In Martin county Bro. Underwood has been steadily strengthening the cause and has baptized two persons.

At Pactolus, Pitt county, Bro. Carrick has built a beautiful and commodious house of worship and organized a church at an important point, which has not hitherto been occupied by the Baptists.

Bro. Carrick preached once a month for the little flock in Washington until June. At that time Bro. Thomas, of Portsmouth, Va., took charge of the church, giving to it all his time. We were hoping for large results from his labors, but he feels obliged to withdraw from the field at the end of the present month. We very earnestly commend this place to the consideration of your body. It is a town of several thousand inhabitants, and it is due the Master whom we serve that a good man and strong, be sustained there, so as to give his whole time to it.

At Pantego, a very important point, Bro. Peele has built a substantial and

beautiful house of worship and organized a church of seven members. He has also baptized two persons at that place. This work has been done at the cost of great sacrifice and apostolic self-denial.

Looking over the work of the last year, there is abundant reason for thankfulness and encouragement. Looking over the four years that we have been engaged in this great enterprise, we have reason to feel that God has been with us, speaking to us that we go forward.

The field is large, and is opening to us more and more. In two of the counties within our extensive territory there is neither Baptist church nor preacher. In another large county there is only one church, now without a pastor, and for nearly two years without one. We are loudly called on to keep up our operations to the present standard and, if possible, to enlarge them.

L. W. BAGLEY, *Chairman.*

After which the roll of churches was called, and the amounts below pledged by churches and individuals for next year:

Zion,	$	200 00	Enfield,	$	10 00
Louisburg,		150 00	J. P. Timberlake,		10 00
Bear Swamp,		100 00	Fishing Creek,		10 60
Conoconary,		100 00	New Bethel,		10 00
Ephesus,		100 00	Turkey Branch,		10 00
Littleton,		100 00	Warren Plains,		10 00
Brown's,		50 00	Williamston,		10 00
Maple Springs,		50 00	Carmel		10 00
Greenville,		50 00	Mrs. Dr. Jackson,		10 00
Reedy Creek,		50 00	A. G. Willcox,		10 00
John Watson,		50 00	L, C. Perkinson,		10 00
W. E. Bowers,		50 00	Pactolus,		5 00
Tarboro,		50 00	John's Chapel,		5 00
Wilson,		50 00	Dr. H. F. Freeman, (paid)		5 00
J. D. Hufham,		49 50	T. M. Ward,		5 00
Mt. Zion,		40 00	William Rosser,		5 00
Rock Springs,		30 00	J. H. Sherrod,		5 00
Gardner's,		30 00	W. H. Mann,		5 00
Roanoke,		30 00	W. D. Harriss,		5 00
Corinth,		25 00	Cypress Chapel,		5 00
Cedar Rock,		25 00	M. R. Pernell,		5 00
Hamilton,		25 00	E. S. Green,		5 00
Hickory,		25 00	J. M. Edwards,		5 00
Mt. Vernon,		25 00	J. G. Barkley,		5 06
Quankie,		25 00	Free Chapel,		5 00
Rehoboth,		25 00	Dr. McManaway,		5 00
Philadelphia,		25 00	J. W. Sledge,		5 00
E. E. Hilliard,		25 00	C. A. Woodson,		5 00
C. M. Cooke,		25 00	W. J. Hopkins,		5 00
Harriss' Chapel,		25 00	H. B. S. Pitt,		5 00
Antioch,		25 00	T. M. Arrington,		5 00
Dawson's,		20 00	Mr. & Mrs. J. M. Willoughby,		5 00
Sharon,		20 00	J. M. Loyd,		2 50
Poplar Springs,		20 00	N. F. Falk,		2 50
Red Bud,		15 00	Joseph Coppedge,		2 50
Shiloh,		15 00	John Baker, (paid)		2 00
Peach Tree,		15 00	J. S. Allen,		1 00
G. M. Duke,		15 00			
J. M. Neal,		15 00	Grand total,	$2,000	00
Elm Grove,		10 00			

After which the report was adopted.

Adjourned for dinner. Prayer by Elder Horner leading

FRIDAY, 2 O'CLOCK P. M.

Association met. Lead in prayer by Elder F. R. Underwood.

Report of Committee to enquire into covenant, articles of faith, &c., of John's Chapel and Carmel, new churches, asking admission into our body, made the following report:

We, the committee appointed for the purpose of examining into the credentials of the two churches, Carmel and John's Chapel, applying for admission into this body, have discharged that duty, and recommend their reception.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. PITCHFORD,
F. R. UNDERWOOD, } *Com.*
C. A. WOODSON,

The Moderator extended right hand of fellowship to delegates.

Report on Periodicals (see Appendix A) called for, and read by Bro. C. A. Woodson, and amended by Bro. Hufham by striking out all reference to papers, save RECORDER, *Foreign Mission Journal*, *Kind Words*, and Sunday School Publications of the American Baptist Publication Society. The report was discussed by brethren Bailey, Perkinson, Woodson, Freeman and Duke.

After which the report was adopted.

Bro. Daniel Wester, one of the Committee to prepare a history of the Association, made a verbal report; had gotten up the history of about twenty churches as far as he had gone, and all the clerks of churches in this Association that have not furnished him or Bro. J. D. Hufham with said history, is earnestly requested to furnish them with the history of their church, when constituted and by whom, the number of members at organization and present number, and all other matters of interest connected with their churches.

On motion, brethren John Watson, C. M. Cooke, W. E. Bowers, J. T. Webb and Noah Biggs were elected Executive Committee for next year.

Bro. Cooke moved that Clerk of Association be allowed twenty-five dollars for services last year and this. Motion carried.

Ministerial Education made special order for Saturday, 11 o'clock, and Home Missions, 12 o'clock.

Association adjourned. Prayer by Bro. Woodson.

SATURDAY MORNING, 9½ O'CLOCK.

Association assembled. Exercises conducted by W. J. Hopkins.

Committee on Stated Sermons report:

To preach Introductory—Rev. C. A. Woodson. *Alternate*—Rev. F. R. Underwood.

To preach Denominational Sermon—A. G. McManaway. *Alternate*—D. A. Glenn.

To preach Missionary—J. D. Hufham. *Alternate*—W. J. Hopkins.

W. E. BOWERS,
E. S. GREEN, } *Com.*
J. M. NEAL,

Report of Committee to nominate standing committees:

To write on Associational Missions—J. D. Hufham and W. E. Bowers.
" " *Periodicals*—E. E. Hilliard and C. J. Austin.
" " *Sunday Schools*—A. G. McManaway and W. E. Bowers.

The following resolution was offered and unanimously passed:

STATE MISSIONS.

WHEREAS, The Board of Missions of our Convention are making commendable efforts to enable the preachers of the Gospel to go into all the destitute parts of the State, and to aid feeble churches at important points to sustain their pastors; therefore

Resolved, That we do now make a collection to aid the Board in their great work; and that the pastors be requested to make collections for this object in each of their churches, and forward the same to the Treasurer of the Convention.

State Missions was ably discussed by Rev. J. D. Hufham, and a collection taken for that object, amounting to twenty dollars and fifty cents, and paid over to Finance Committee.

Report on Education was called for and, in absence of report, Prof. Taylor made a talk for Education and the endowment, and the amounts below were pledged by churches and individuals for next year.

Zion,	$ 30 00	Greenville,	$ 10 00
Louisburg,	30 00	Reedy Creek,	10 00
Conoconary,	10 00	Ephesus,	10 00
Gardner's,	10 00	Brown's,	10 00

W. E. Bowers,	$ 10 00	Rock Springs,	$ 5 00
Corinth,	5 00	L. C. Perkinson,	5 00
Cedar Rock,	5 00	A. G. Willcox,	5 00
Enfield,	5 00	E. S. Green,	5 00
Hamilton,	5 00	Peach Tree,	5 00
Harriss' Chapel,	5 00	R. D. Harper,	2 00
J. M. Edwards,	5 00	J. W. Sledge,	2 00
Mt. Zion,	5 00	M. R. Pernell,	2 00
Philadelphia,	5 00	B. T. Parker,	1 00
Poplar Springs,	5 00		
Rehoboth,	5 00	Total,	$217 00
Quankie,	5 00		

The following resolution offered by Rev. A. G. McManaway, and passed the body unanimously:

Resolved, That the Association has heard with pain of the illness of the wife of Bro. Webb, our former Moderator, and that we extend to him and to her our sympathies and good wishes.

The Association called off to hear Denominational Sermon by Rev. J. D. Hufham—text: 14th verse, 5th chap. 2d Cor. "For the love of Christ constraineth us."

SATURDAY, 2 O'CLOCK.

Association met, and sung hymn—"Come thou Fount of every blessing."

Bro. Wester made verbal report on history of Association which was adopted, and Bre. Wester and Hufham continued as committee to complete said history, and all clerks of churches are earnestly requested to send to them at once the history of their churches.

The Treasurer's report was read and referred to Bro. Bowers to audit, who reported:

I have examined account of Treasurer, and find same all vouched for.
W. E. BOWERS, *Auditor.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

October 5th, 1882—To balance due Association at last session,	$ 47 34
Received of Finance Committee for Minute Fund,	80 37
" " " " State Missions,	29 20
" " " " Foreign Missions,	35 52
" " " " Education,	65 00
Cash collection for Education,	22 50
" " " Associational Missions,	9 50
Sunday collection,	8 33
Indian Missions,	5 00
Total receipts,	$302 76

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid Edwards, Broughton & Co., for 1,600 Minutes, Church letters,	$ 57 00	
" B. F. Montague, State Missions,	29 20	
" " " Foreign Missions,	35 50	
" " " Education,	87 50	
" Noah Biggs, for Associational Missions,	9 50	
" Rev. E. Dodson, Indian Missions,	5 00	
" John E. Ray, State and Foreign Missions,	8 83	
Mailing manuscript, stationery, &c.,	85	
Clerk's fee,	25 00	
	$258 08	
Cash to balance,	44 68	
		$302 76

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

On motion of Bro. Hufham, Brethren Coppedge and Sledge were continued at Bro. Stringfield's school upon same terms as last year. Motion carried.

On motion, the Missionary Sermon, on to-morrow, be suspended and, at request of the church, their house of worship to be dedicated in its stead. Motion prevailed.

The resolution below, offered by Bro. Hufham, passed unanimously:

WHEREAS, The brethren of Greenville are endeavoring to build a house of worship, which shall be a memorial of the organization of the Baptist State Convention in that place fifty-three years ago, therefore

Resolved, That we commend the enterprise to the prayerful and liberal consideration of the brethren of this body.

Bro. Carrick presented the claims and, in a quiet way, secured in cash and pledges eighty dollars for the enterprise.

Report on Foreign Missions (Appendix B) read by G. W. Newell. The Report was ably discussed, and the claims upon us forcibly presented by brethren Newell, McManaway and Hufham. Report adopted.

Bro. A. G. McManaway, in order that the Association might have more time to devote to the discussion of State, Foreign and Home Missions and Education, &c., offered the following:

Resolved, That, at subsequent meetings of this body, the church letters shall not be read before the Association, but shall be referred to a committee of three, whose duty it shall be to report from these letters a list of the delegates in attendance, to report a tabulated statement of the statistics of membership and contributions of the churches, and to make such recommendations as are suggested to them by the letters.

Resolution laid over to the next session.

Report on Sunday Schools (Appendix C) read by Bro. F. R. Underwood and without discussion. Report was adopted.

Printing Minutes.—The Clerk was instructed to have two thousand minutes published.

Resolution offered by Bro. Underwood on hospitality:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association are heartily tendered to the members of this church and the people of the community, for the generous hospitality with which they have entertained this body.

Passed unanimously.

Moved by Bro. Hufham that any member of this Association, visiting the Baptist State Convention, be authorized to represent us, and any member, visiting any other Association, represent us as corresponding messengers. Carried.

Resolution by Bro. A. G. McManaway:

Resolved, That the Association endorses the apportionment of one hundred and ninety-five dollars to the churches of this body, and that we will try to raise that amount for the Home Mission Board by the 1st of April next.

Adopted.

Report of Finance Committee read by Bro. W. J. Hopkins:

Your Committee on Finance submit the following

REPORT:

Received for Foreign Missions,	$	22 50
" " State Missions,		64 50
" " Associational Missions,		1,401 66
" " Home and Indian Missions,		4 29
" " Ministerial Education,		113 41
" " Sunday School Board,		75
" " Orphan's Home,		1 55
" as Minute Fund,		70 45
Total amount,	$	1,679 11

Respectfully,

W. J. HOPKINS, A. W. JACKSON, } *Com.*

Report adopted.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE'S TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Associat'l Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Sun. Sch'l Board.	Minute Fund.	Orphan Asylum.
Antioch,	$	$	$ 14 05	$	$		$ 1 25	
Aurelian Springs,								
Bear Swamp,	2 00	3 00	174 80	2 00	2 00		2 00	
Brown's,			29 50				2 00	
Conoconary,			101 25		10 00		2 50	
Corinth,			20 00	1 74			1 55	
Cedar Rock,	6 50		25 00		5 00	75	2 50	
Cypress Chapel			5 00				1 00	
Carmel,	5 50		7 50				55	
Dawson's,		5 00	15 00		2 50		1 50	
Elm Grove,			6 00				1 30	
Enfield,		2 00	5 00		2 50		1 00	
Ephesus,	1 00						1 00	
Fishing Creek,			10 00				1 00	
Free Chapel,			4 00				1 00	
Gardner's,			30 00		3 16		2 00	
Greenville,			32 00				1 25	
Hamilton,			25 00				1 00	
Harris' Chapel,			10 00		3 30		1 00	
Hickory,			33 50				1 50	
John's Chapel,			1 25				50	
Louisburg,	3 00	20 00	120 00		23 00		2 70	
Littleton,								
Mt. Vernon,	1 00	2 00					1 50	
Maple Spring,	1 00		25 00				2 00	
Mt. Olivet,								
Mt. Zion,	2 00	2 00	40 00		11 00		2 00	
New Bethel,		10 00					2 00	
New Hope,			5 00				1 00	
Peach Tree,			14 25				1 60	
Philadelphia,					7 80		2 50	
Pleasant Grove,			10 00				1 50	
Poplar Springs,							1 50	
Pine Forest,								
Pactolus,			5 00					
Quankie,			10 00				2 00	
Red Bud,			10 50				1 50	
Rehoboth.			16 56				1 50	
Reedy Creek,			50 00		3 15		1 00	
Rock Springs,	50		30 00	55	5 00		1 50	1 55
Roanoke,								
Rocky Mount,			10 00		5 00		1 00	
Samaria,			10 00				2 00	
Sandy Creek,			5 00				1 50	
Sharon,			20 00				2 00	
Shiloh,							3 00	
Tarboro,								
Toisnot,								
Turkey Branch,			10 00				1 00	
Washington,								

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE'S TABLE—*Continued.*

CHURCHES.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Associat'l Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Ministerial Education.	Sun. Sch'l Board.	Minute Fund.	Orphan Asylum.
Warrenton,			$					
Warren Plains,			10 00				1 25	
Wilson,			23 00				2 00	
Williamston,			4 00				1 00	
Scotland Neck,								
Zion,			215 00				2 50	
Hat collection,		20 50						
Total,	$22 50	$64 50	$1192 16	$ 4 29	$83 41	75	$70 45	$ 1 55

INDIVIDUAL PLEDGES.

NAMES.	Associat'l Missions.	Ministerial Education.	NAMES.	Associat'l Missions.	Ministerial Education.
Levy Green,	$ 2 50		Mrs. Dr. J. W. Jackson,	$ 10 00	
B. F. Tillery,	5 00		John Watson,	50 00	
Rufus Dickinson,	5 00		R. D. Harper,	10 00	
T. M. Ward,	5 00		W. H. Coley,	5 00	
William Rosser,	5 00		J. H. Odom,	2 00	
W. P. Burrows,	2 50		B. S. Pitt,	5 00	
T. S. Carroll,	5 00		T. M. Egerton,	5 00	
J. M. Neale,	10 00		A. G. Willcox,	10 00	
W. P. Sledge,	5 00		J. J. Coley,	10 00	5 00
B. T. Parker,	10 00		G. W. Coppedge,	5 00	
W. H. Mann,	5 00		A. D. Williams,	5 00	
J. M. Loyd,	2 50		N. H. Macon,	10 00	5 00
G. M. Duke,	20 00				
W. Ezra Bowers,		10 00			
T. R. Bowers,		10 00	Total,	$209 50	$30 00

On motion of Bro. McManaway, the Sunday collection to be divided between Home Missions and Sunday School Board. Home Missions receiving two-thirds and Sunday School one-third. Carried.

On motion, Association adjourned to meet at Mt. Zion, Franklin county, Thursday before 2d Sunday in Oct. 1884.

JOHN WATSON,
Moderator.

A. G. WILLCOX,
Clerk and Treasurer.

SERVICES.

Denominational Sermon, Saturday, 12 o'clock, by Dr. J. D. Hufham—Text: 2 Cor. 5th chapter, 14th verse: "For the love of Christ constraineth us."

Ordinationary Services, Sunday morning, Rev. Patric Crudup was set apart to the full work of the Gospel Ministry. Scripture reading conducted by Rev. J. D. Hufham. Prayer by Bro. Daniel Wester. Charge delivered by Rev. J. S. Purefoy. Bible presented by Rev. Thomas Carrick. Right hand of fellowship by all ministers present.

Dedicatory Sermon, 11 o'clock, by Rev. G. M. Duke—Text: Rom. 15th chapter, 29th verse.

Preaching also at stand at same hour by Rev. J. M. McManaway, of Kentucky.

Services at night and at stand during session: Sermons by brethren O. L. Stringfield, C. A. Woodson, Duke, but the Clerk failed to get texts.

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX A.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

The secular press is now a recognized and *felt* power among all the enlightened nations of the world. In fact, national progress and power are gauged to a great extent by the progress and power of the press. The wonderful influence of the London *Times* has well merited the title of the "Thunderer." The French journal, the *Moniteur*, long propped the fortunes and throne of Napoleon III; and even now the huge empire of Russia quakes with fear from the silent, potent and *dangerous* power of the Nihilist press. So in this country, the New York *Herald*, *Sun*, *Tribune* and other papers, exert a great influence, for weal or woe, on the destiny of the American people. What is true of the secular press of the world is equally true of the religious press. It is difficult to estimate the influence of a well sustained and well conducted religious newspaper on the progress, efficiency, and spiritual power of the denomination that patronizes it. The Baptists of North Carolina are now a great host. They are amply able to support a first-class religious paper. Such a paper they have in the BIBLICAL RECORDER. We most cordially commend this paper to the members of our churches. Heads of families particularly would do well to subscribe for and read the RECORDER. They could not make a better investment for themselves and for their children. To our Sunday Schools we would recommend the *Foreign Mission Journal*, *Kind Words*, published at Macon, Ga, and the Sunday School literature of the American Baptist Publication Society.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. WOODSON,
JOHN W. ALLEN,
ROBERT BRINKLEY, } *Com.*

APPENDIX B.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The great commission by our blessed Saviour to His disciples loses nothing of its authority by the lapse of centuries; its obligation is limited only by the extent of the whole human race, in all lands and in all ages; and the necessity for the discharge of the duty therein enjoined is inexpressibly great in our day, notwithstanding the abundant success that has already crowned the missionary efforts of modern times. So wonderfully has this work been blessed within the past 100 years, that where hardly one Christian could be found anywhere in heathen lands at the beginning of this period, the number of Protestant converts has now reached nearly 2,000,000. Statistics of this work show that in proportion to the number of missionaries employed and the amount of means expended Baptists have accomplished much more than others. The further fact is also shown that the annual percentage of increase of membership is at this time three times as great in the foreign field as it is in our own land.

The population of the world now is set down at 1,400,000,000. Less than 400,000,000 of these are nominally Christians, and of this number a full half are Roman Catholics. Upwards of 1,000,000,000 are heathen, Mahommedan, or Jews, who either know nothing of Christ, or are opposed to Him. These figures show how urgent is the present necessity, and how vast the magnitude of the work to be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

G. W. NEWELL.

APPENDIX C.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We learn from the minutes of the last session of the Association, the only data now accessible to the committee, that of the 53 churches belonging to the Association only 27 are reported as having Sunday Schools. With these 27 churches there are connected 30 schools ; and with these 30 schools about 2,000 persons. Of these 30 schools, 9 are reported as having libraries and as taking *Kind Words ;* 6 as making contributions, and 15 as kept open all the year. If this is an approximate exhibit of the status of the Sunday School work in the borders of the Tar River Association, it reveals a lamentable amount of indifference with regard to this great interest.

We regard it as the duty of every church to have its Sunday School, and as the duty of every church member, who possibly can, to take some part in its work. We would urge upon the Sunday Schools the importance of supplying themselves with Bibles, papers, and other suitable literature and appliances. We would also beg them not to neglect the cultivation of Christian benevolence, and if possible to keep at work every month in the year and every Sunday in the month. Do your work patiently, faithfully, depending upon God for success, and then take the trouble to report the year's work to the next session of this body.

F. R. UNDERWOOD,
R. M. JOHNSON,
JOHN COPPEDGE,
} *Com.*

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following :

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2nd. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.

3d. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.

4th. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before ; but shall fairly state the case so as to convey his ideas.

5th. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.

6th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.

7th. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.

8th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.

9th. The names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

10th. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to a vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

11th. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules, shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.

CONSTITUTION.

1st. The Association shall be composed of the pastors, and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2nd. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated and died since the last Association.

3rd. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Tar River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4th. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

5th. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6th. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7th. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8th. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9th. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10th. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11th. The Association shall have power to enquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12th. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13th. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, whom they esteem of good moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in council.

14th. This Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches, respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the Gospel, and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15th. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

16th. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	COUNTIES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICES.	Time of Preaching.	ADDITIONS.			DIMINUTIONS.			White Males.	White Females.	Total White.	Colored.	Total.
					Baptism.	Letter.	Restored.	Letter.	Excluded.	Deaths.					
Antioch,	Halifax,	R. D. Harper,	Jos. J. Partin, Heathville,	1	12	2	2	--	1	--	26	73	99	2	101
Aurelian Springs,															
Bear Swamp,	Halifax,	Vernon d'Anson,	H. Connell, Bear Swamp,	4	--	1	--	4	7	1	30	46	76	8	84
Brown's,	Warren,	D. A. Glenn,	John Watson, Warrenton,	2	--	3	1	3	1	4	25	44	69	27	96
Conoconary,	Halifax,	W. J. Hopkins,	J. R. Pope, Crowell's,	1,2,3,4	--	--	2	10	5	1	--	--	--	--	161
Carmel,	Wilson,	M. J. Willoughby,	H. F. Freeman, Taylor,	--	2	5	--	--	--	--	3	4	--	--	7
Corinth,	Franklin,	A. G. McManaway,	A. D. Ellis, Henderson,	1 and 3	25	5	1	1	--	--	52	77	129	--	129
Cedar Rock,	Franklin,	G. W. Newell	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock,	1	--	--	--	5	4	2	45	56	101	--	101
Cypress Chapel,	Franklin,	G. W. Coppedge,	W. B. Stallings, Mapleville,	2	5	--	1	--	--	--	17	39	56	2	58
Dawson's,	Halifax,	C. A. Woodson,	B. C. Dunn, Dawson's X Rds,	1 and 3	37	9	1	--	--	--	31	44	75	--	75
Elm Grove,	Nash,	M. R. Pernell,	R. P. Hinton, Nashville,	1	7	2	--	--	5	1	36	59	95	--	95
Enfield,	Halifax,	C. A. Woodson,	S. S. Alsop, Enfield,	2 and 4	9	5	--	2	2	--	12	15	27	--	27
Ephesus,	Nash,	G. W. Coppedge,	H. M. Warren, Wilson,	4	--	1	1	1	--	1	18	16	34	--	34
Fishing Creek,	Nash,	G. W. Newell,	M. Bobbitt, Ringwood,	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	10	15	25	--	25
Free Chapel,	Nash,	R. D. Harper,	T. A. Bone, Nashville,	4	1	1	--	--	1	--	14	27	41	--	41
Gardner's,	Warren,	D. A. Glenn,	J. W. Shearin, Macon,	3	3	1	--	--	--	1	33	72	105	--	105
Greenville,	Pitt,	Thomas Carrick,	D. J. Whichard, Greenville,	1, 3, 4	7	6	--	--	--	2	20	58	78	--	78
Hamilton,	Martin,	F. R. Underwood,	R. B. Salsbury, Hamilton,	1 and 3	--	3	--	1	2	--	12	34	46	--	46
Harris' Chapel,	Halifax,	A. G. Willcox,	B. Y. Harriss, Arcola,	3	6	4	--	--	--	--	23	29	52	--	52
Hickory,	Nash,	J. G. Barkley,	B. F. Drake, Battleboro,	1	--	1	2	--	--	2	33	39	72	--	72
John's Chapel,	Nash,	George Coppedge,	G. V. Broughton,	--	3	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	6
Louisburg,	Franklin,	A. G. McManaway,	A. M. Hall, Louisburg,	1 and 3	3	--	--	1	--	--	39	56	95	--	95
Littleton,															

Mt. Vernon,	Nash,	G. M. Duke,	J. H. Herbert, Battleboro,			1					7	4	11		11
Maple Springs,	Franklin,	G. M. Duke,	A. W. Jackson, Mapleville,	4		4		2	4		35	67	102		102
Mt. Zion,	Franklin,	G. M. Duke,	A. P. Joyner, Laurel,	1	3	1	1	3		1	37	67	104		104
Mt. Olivet,															
New Bethel,	Franklin,	M. R. Pernell,	E. W. Green, Louisburg,	1	10			3	2	3	36	71	107		107
New Hope,	Wilson,	M. J. Willoughby,	H. F. Farmer, Wilson,	2	1	2		7	10	5	29	40	69		69
Peach Tree,	Nash,	P. H. Pernell,	Jos. J. H. Edwards, Castalia,	1		1		4			68	133	201	52	253
Philadelphia,	Nash,	G. M. Duke,	Jos. V. Bunting, Hilliardston,	2	8	3		3	5	3	49	84	133		133
Pleasant Grove,	Nash,	R. D. Harper,	Z. R. Hinton, Nashville,	3				4	5	2	26	65	91	5	96
Poplar Springs,	Franklin,	O. L. Stringfield,	J. J. Cheves, Sutton,	3	13	2	3	10	5	2	112	195	307		307
Pine Forest,															
Quankie,	Halifax,	A. G. Willcox,	Willis Cullom, Weldon,	4	15				2	1	22	24	46		46
Red Bud,	Franklin,	P. H. Pernell,	Sam. Harper, Castalia,	2		2			3	1	52	118	170		170
Rehoboth,	Nash,	G. M. Duke,	G. T. Coley, Rocky Mount,	3		2		2	1	4	34	52	86		86
Reedy Creek,	Warren,	A. G. Willcox,	B. P. Davis, Creek,	1	18	1	4	1	8	3	52	105	157		157
Rock Springs,	Franklin,	J. H. Booth,	J. H. Odum, Louisburg,	1	13	1	2	1	11	2	41	69	110		110
Roanoke,	Halifax,	M. V. McDuffie,	W. E. Daniel, Weldon,	2	17	2		2		1	22	28	50		50
Rocky Mount,	Nash,	G. M. Duke,	H. D. Avery, Rocky Mount,	3		2		2			14	21	35		35
Samaria,	Nash,	G. W. Coppedge,	Wesley Privett, Stanhope,	1	15			1	5	2	65	127	192	1	193
Sandy Creek,	Franklin,	P. H. Pernell,	N. Davis, Cedar Rock,	3	3			3	6	1	55	123	178	3	181
Sharon,	Warren,	D. A. Glenn,	P. R. Perkinson, Warren P'ns	1				2	3	1	41	77	118		118
Shiloh,	Vance,	Jefferson Burwell,	H. Crudup, Kittrell,	3	29	2	27	5	24	12				594	594
Turkey Branch,	Halifax,	A. G Willcox,	D. O. Thrower, Enfield,	2	2		1	1	1		10	14	24		24
Toisnot,															
Tarboro,															
Williamston,	Martin,	F. R. Underwood,	D. Worthington, Williamston,	2, 4	2	2		1			5	19	24		24
Warrenton,															
Warren Plains,	Warren,	D. A. Glenn,	W. B. Hundley, Warren P'ns,	1		6		4	3		22	29	51		51
Wilson,	Wilson,		B. F. Briggs, Wilson,			3		3	1	2	19	34	53		53
Washington,															
Zion,	Halifax,	J. D. Hufham,	L. W. Bagley, Scotland N'ck,	1,2,3,4	14	5	1	7	7		50	73	123		123
					281	89	50	99	134	61	1377	2438	3815	694	4682

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Home and Indian Missions.	Associational Missions.	Church Expenses.	Church Extension.	Sunday Schools.	Minute Fund.	Other Objects.	Education.	Total.
Antioch,					$ 14 05				$ 1 25			$ 15 30
Aurelian Springs,												
Bear Swamp,	$ 200 00	$ 2 00		$ 2 00	174 80				2 00			380 80
Brown's,	150 00	3 80			29 50				2 00		$ 13 00	194 30
Carmel,		5 50			7 50				55			13 55
Conoconary,	800 00	4 00		7 08	201 25	$ 33 75	$216 36	$ 75 00	2 50	$148 76	10 00	1,499 75
Corinth,	200 00			1 74	27 50				1 55			229 79
Cedar Rock.	100 00	6 50			25 00				2 50		13 64	147 64
Cypress Chapel,	50 00				5 00				1 00			56 00
Dawson's,	250 00	4 00	$ 5 00		15 00	20 00		5 00	1 50		2 50	253 00
Elm Grove,	75 00				6 00	204 00			1 30			286 30
Enfield,	150 00	4 26	2 00		5 00	25 00	5 00		1 00		2 50	194 76
Ephesus,		1 00							1 00			2 00
Fishing Creek,	100 00				10 00	180 00			1 00			291 00
Free Chapel,	30 00				4 00				1 00			35 00
Gardner's,	150 00			2 57	30 00				2 00	17 09	3 16	194 82
Greenville,	400 00		5 00		32 00	22 65			1 25	300 00	5 00	765 90
Hamilton,	200 00				25 00	24 00	65 00		1 00			
Harries' Chapel,	75 00				10 00	200 00		6 00	1 00		3 30	295 30
Hickory,	80 00		22 43						1 50			103 93
John's Chapel,					1 25				50			1 75
Louisburg,	500 00	3 00	20 00	5 00	120 00	60 00		50 00	2 70	12 21	30 00	802 91
Littleton,												
Mt. Vernon,	100 00	2 00	1 00						1 50			104 50

Maple Springs,	150 00	1 00			25 00				2 00			178 00
Mt. Olivet,												
Mt. Zion,	150 00	2 00	2 00	5 76	40 00				2 00		11 00	212 76
New Bethel,	75 00		10 00			3 50			2 00			90 50
New Hope,	100 00				5 00				1 00			106 00
Peach Tree,	100 00				13 00				1 60			114 60
Philadelphia,	150 00								2 50		7 80	160 30
Pleasant Grove,	60 00				10 00				1 50			71 50
Poplar Springs,	150 00					550 00			1 50			701 50
Pine Forest,												
Quankie,	50 00				10 00	200 00			2 00			262 00
Red Bud,					13 15				1 50			14 65
Rehoboth,	125 00			3 76	15 56			2 04	1 50			148 86
Reedy Creek,	100 00		5 00		50 00				1 00		10 00	166 00
Rock Springs,		50		55	30 00				1 50	4 02	5 00	40 07
Roanoke,	200 00				22 25				1 00		5 00	228 25
Rocky Mount,*	100 00				10 00	40 00			1 00		5 00	252 68
Samaria,	75 00				10 00	10 00			2 00			97 00
Sandy Creek,					5 00				1 50			6 50
Sharon,	150 00				20 00	9 25	20 52		2 00	11 03	5 00	217 80
Shiloh, (colored)	75 00					100 00			3 00			178 00
Tarboro,												
Toisnot,												
Turkey Branch,	50 00				10 00	120 00			1 00			181 00
Washington,												
Warrenton,												
Warren Plains,	60 00		47		10 00				1 25		2 50	74 22
Wilson,	600 00				23 00	200 00			2 00			825 00
Williamston,	37 50	3 80	2 56	2 05	4 00				1 00	88 00		138 91
Zion,	1,000 00	10 00	650 00		215 00	150 00			2 50	60 00	25 00	2,112 50
	$ 7,167 50	$58 36	$ 726 46	$30 51	$ 1,364 82	$ 2,152 15	$306 88	$138 04	$71 45	$640 35	$169 40	$ 13,129 10

*Church debt $96.68.

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Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENT AND POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Volumes.	Conversions.	No. months school kept open.	Kind Words taken.	Other papers.	Contributions,
Conoconary,	H. H. Rasberry, Crowell's,	10	80	60	----	1	12	---	---	$ 75 00
Corinth,	J. A. Ellis, Henderson,	3	30	25	----	--	--	---	---	-------
Cedar Rock,	J.A.Coppedge, Cedar Rock,	10	60	46	----	.	12	15	25	75
Cypress Chap'l,	W. J. Wilder, Mapleville,	4	39	25	----	--	8	---	---	-------
Dawson's,	B.C.Dunn, Dawson's X R'ds	7	17	10	50	--	12	---	4	5 00
Enfield,	F. J. Dennis, Enfield,	5	32	26	45	--	12	---	28	13 89
Ephesus,	J. T. Fulford, Springhope,	4	35	20	----	--	8	---	32	-------
Gardner's,	J. H. Nicholson, Macon,	12	38	35	40	--	12	---	---	-------
Greenville,	P. P. Lawrence, Greenville,	11	95	52	300	--	12	*12	92	36 07
Hamilton,	J. A. Whitley, Hamilton,	10	53	37	----	--	12	30	---	25 00
Harriss' Chap'l,	Zack Perkinson, Littleton,	8	35	15	50	--	10	---	---	-------
Louisburg,	C. M. Cooke, Louisburg,	12	86	----	----	--	12	---	---	50 00
Mt. Vernon,	G. M. Duke, Hilliardston,	11	50	35	146	--	8	---	---	-------
Mt. Zion,	George H. Cooper, Laurel,	7	70	50	100	--	9	15	5	54 59
New Bethel,	S. J. Matthews, Henderson,	6	54	30	----	--	6	---	---	-------
New Hope,	H. F. Farmer, Wilson,	5	38	32	14	--	3	---	---	-------
Philadelphia,	D. A. Taylor, Nashville,	10	53	40	80	--	--	---	---	5 00
Pleasant Grove,	C. P. Andrews, Nashville,	10	50	30	----	--	--	---	---	-------
Poplar Springs,	J. H. Cheaves, Sutton,	15	230	175	----	--	12	---	---	-------
Quankie,	Willis Cullom, Weldon,	5	35	25	----	--	6	---	---	-------
Rehoboth,	E. Z. Pulley, Nashville,	5	50	25	30	--	--	---	2	-------
Rock Springs,	J. H. Odum, Louisburg,	6	25	15	----	--	6	---	---	2 10
Roanoke,	W. E. Daniel, Weldon,	6	30	25	----	--	--	25	12	18 60
Rocky Mount,	J. T. Webb, Rocky Mt,	---	----	----	66	--	12	---	12	-------
Samaria,	Henry Hagwood, Stanhope,	7	40	40	----	--	12	---	19	-------
Sandy Creek,	Wesley Burnett, Laurel,	8	55	30	40	--	--	---	---	-------
Sharon,	L. C. Perkinson, Oakville,	5	50	30	75	--	9	---	---	3 00
Shiloh,	M. G. Crudup, Kittrell,	10	61	25	20	--	8	---	---	5 00
Turkey Branch,	G. T. Sanders, Ringwood,	6	44	32	----	--	9	---	35	3 00
Williamston,	E.C.Bardwell, Williamston,	6	53	----	75	--	12	9	---	7 63
Warren Plains,	W. E. Bugg, Warren Plains,	10	56	30	60	--	--	---	5	4 77
Wilson,	G. W. Blount, Wilson,	6	60	40	150	--	--	---	---	75 00
Zion,†	Dr. R. M. Johnson, Scotland Neck,	20	140	95	125	--	--	70	80	150 00
		260	1844	1154	1466	1		176	351	$534 40

* B. Teachers.

† B. 24 Teachers taken.

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Poplar Springs—J. H. Cheaves.
Pine Forest—
Quankie—Knox Dickens, R. P. Dickens.
Red Bud—A. D. Williams, T. S. Collier, D. B. Pearce.
Rehoboth—W. H. Coley, W. B. Harper, J. C. Beal.
Reedy Creek—M. C. Duke, Joseph Duke, B. R. Harriss.
Rock Springs—B. F. Wilder, O. B. Wilder, J. J. Bobbitt.
Roanoke—
Rocky Mount—Thos. M. Arrington, J. J. Coley.
Samaria—
Sandy Creek—N. Davis, J. J. Ward, J. D. Ricks.
Sharon—L. C. Perkinson, Robt. Carroll.
Shiloh—Handy Crudup, French Perry, Samuel Brooks.
Turkey Branch—D. C. Thrower, W. D. Saunders, W. H. West.
Toisnot—W. E. Winstead.
Tarboro—By letter.
Williamston—Rev. A. D. Cohen.
Warrenton—
Warren Plains—W. D. Weldon, L. A. Loyd.
Wilson—G. W. Blount.
Washington—
Zion—Noah Biggs.

Rehoboth, Maple Springs, Hamilton, Hickory and Wilson petition for Association next year.

Letters all being read, the Association went into permanent organization by unanimously re-electing former Moderator and Clerk.

On motion of Bro. Hufham, the order of business for last session was adopted for this:

1. Meet at 9½ o'clock and adjourn at 12½ o'clock; meet at 2 o'clock and adjourn at will.
2. Appointment of Committees.
3. Associational Missions.
4. Report of Committees.
5. Miscellaneous business.

On motion, Rev. C. A. Woodson was appointed to write on Foreign Missions; Rev. A. D. Cohen on Ministerial Education; Rev. A. G. McManaway on Home and Indian Missoins, and Rev. Thos. Carrick on Periodicals. Motion carried.

Invitation extended to visiting brethren and accepted by Bro. N. B. Broughton, of BIBLICAL RECORDER, and Rev. P. H. Pernell, formerly of our body, but now of the Anson Association.

Upon invitation to new churches asking admission into our body, Social Plains made application, and a committee consisting of Brethren J. A. Pitchford, A. D. Cohen and D. A. Glenn, to examine into covenant, articles of faith, &c., of said church.

The following ministering brethren present: J. D. Hufham, A. D. Cohen, D. A. Glenn, M. V. McDuffie, A. G. McManaway, C. A. Woodson, M. R. Pernell, J. A. Pitchford, G. M. Duke, R. D. Harper, George Coppedge, G. W. Newell, M. J. Willoughby, Daniel Wester, Thos. Carrick, L. C. Perkinson, J. T. Lynch and A. G. Willcox.

Association adjourned till to-morrow 9½ o'clock.

Prayer by Bro. McManaway.

FRIDAY MORNING, 9½ O'CLOCK.

Association met and after devotional exercises conducted by Rev. C. A. Woodson, proceeded to business.

Minutes of yesterday read, corrected and approved.

Committee to inquire into covenant and articles of faith of Social Plains church made following report:

Your committee appointed to examine the constitution, orthodoxy, &c., of Social Plains Baptist church, beg leave to report that they have discharged that duty and do recommend that said church be received into our Association, and the right hand of fellowship be extended to her delegates.

J. A. PITCHFORD,
A. D. COHEN,
D. A. GLENN,
Committee.

Associational Missions next claimed the attention of the body. The following report on Associational Missions was read by Bro. Hufham, who afterwards spoke of the great work done in the past few years—of the great destitution in parts of our Associational territory, and urged that we maintain and even go beyond our contributions in the past for this object:

ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS.

Elder A. G. Willcox has been preaching once a month at Turkey Branch, Halifax county. The church at that place has been struggling heroically to finish their beautiful house of worship. It is still incomplete, and any help which may be given to the little band by their brethren in more favored sections will be worthily bestowed. During the year just closed, the Lord has visited his people at that place with a gracious season of refreshing. Thirteen were added to the church by baptism. At this important station the indications are highly encouraging.

Elder J. T. Lynch has been laboring at Halifax, Rocky Mount and Toisnot. At the last named of these places, a neat and comfortable house of worship has been completed. It will be dedicated on the first Sunday in next month.

Elder C. A. Woodson has been preaching once a month at Battleboro. He feels encouraged to go forward in his work at this place. Just now the brethren

Rev. D. A. Glenn (his churches)	$40 00	Poplar Springs,	$ 5 00
Wilson,	25 00	Rock Springs,	5 00
Louisburg,	20 00	Rocky Mt.,	5 00
G. M. Duke (his churches),	15 00	Toisnot,	5 00
J. T. Webb,	10 00	A. D. Cohen,	5 00
Greenville,	10 00	Antioch,	2 00
Reedy Creek,	10 00	J. A. Pope (paid),	2 00
Bear Swamp,	5 00	John Lawrence,	2 00
Carmel,	5 00	John's Chapel,	2 00
Hamilton,	5 00	New Bethel,	2 00
Harriss' Chapel,	5 00		
New Hope,	5 00	Total,	$190 00

Report adopted.

Hour for special order having arrived, Associational Missions again taken up and additional subscription taken amounting to $73.50, which appears in general subscription list.

Committee on Time and Place report Wilson, and Tuesday before 2nd Sunday in October. Amended by Bro. Cohen, to insert Hamilton. After some pleasant discussion and rivalry among the brethren, a motion to lay report on table. Motion was then made to select place in usual way by call roll of delegates and polling each vote, which resulted in Wilson, and at usual time, Thursday before 2nd Sunday in October next.

Visiting brethren again extended an invitation to seats, and accepted by Professor Hobgood, of Flat River Association.

Report on Sunday Schools (B.) read by Bro. A. G. McManaway and adopted.

Report on Foreign Missions (C.) by Bro. C. A. Woodson, and discussed by himself, and promises made by delegates and pastors to take an honest collection in each church before meeting of Southern Baptist Convention. Report adopted.

Report of Treasurer of Executive Committee read and referred to Auditing Committee.

Report of Treasurer of Association also read and referred to same committee, who, after examination, made report as follows:

We have examined the report of Treasurer of Executive Committee and Treasurer of Association and find the same to be correct.

G. W. BLOUNT,
T. M. ARRINGTON,
A. W. JACKSON,
Auditing Committee.

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *in Account with* N. BIGGS, *Treasurer.*

To cash paid Elder R. E. Peele, for services in Beaufort county,	$ 300 00	
To cash paid Elder G. W. Coppedge,	75 00	
To cash paid Elder R. D. Harper,	40 00	
To cash paid Elder G. W. Newell, for services at Fishing Creek,	100 00	
To cash paid Elder A. G. Willcox, for services at Turkey Branch,	100 00	
To cash paid Elder Thos. Carrick, for services in Pitt county,	75 00	
To cash paid Elder J. T. Lynch, for services at Toisnot, Rocky Mt., and Halifax,	300 00	
To cash paid Elder C. A. Woodson, for services at Battleboro and Halifax,	125 00	
To cash paid Elder C. A. G. Thomas, for services at Washington,	12 50	
To cash paid Elder A. D. Cohen, for services in Martin county,	166 66	
To cash paid Elder McDuffie, for services at Middleburg,	23 00	
To cash paid Elder C. A. G. Thomas, for services at Middleburg,	25 00	
To amount to balance,	307 12	

CREDITS.

By amount due this date,		174 12
By amount from Association,		1,401 66
By cash of Elder W. T. Jones,		5 00
By cash of Elder A. G. Willcox,		7 00
By cash of Weldon church,		23 00
By cash of Littleton church,		38 50
	$1,649 28	$1,649 28
By balance in treasury this day,		$ 307 12
By amount returned by C. A. G. Thomas,		8 17
By amount over of Bro. Webb's expenses as Chairman last year,		100 00
		$ 415 29
Total amount received by Treasurer,	$1,649 28	
Total amount paid out by Treasurer,	1,342 16	
Balance,	$307 12	

The following resolution was offered by Bro. Hufham:

WHEREAS, The law of Christ binds us to care for the indigent orphans which are among us, and

WHEREAS, We now have no institution for this purpose, therefore,

Resolved, That we will heartily approve the founding of a Baptist Orphanage by the Baptist State Convention of N. C., and cordially co-operate in supporting it.

Resolution was discussed in an unusually spirited and animated way by brethren Hufham, Blount, Fleming and Cook, and while the resolution was pending, the Association adjourned for dinner.

SATURDAY, 2 O'CLOCK.

Association met and led in prayer by Bro. J. M. McManaway.

Question pending at dismission taken up and the following substitute by Bro. A. G. McManaway was offered for Bro. Hufham's resolution:

Resolved, That this Association refers the matter of founding a Baptist Orphan's Home to the wisdom and discretion of the Baptist State Convention, and we will endorse their action.

The resolution was again warmly discussed by brethren for and against, when the vote was called for and substitute adopted.

Report on Home and Indian Missions (D.) without discussion report adopted.

Report of Finance Committee:

The Finance Committee beg leave to make the following report:

Received for Foreign Missions,		$ 25 91
" " State Missions,		3 00
" " Associational Missions,		1,564 89
" " Home and Indian Missions,		8 23
" " Ministerial Education,		115 61
" " Sunday School Board,		1 50
" " Minute Fund,		69 30
Total amount,		$1,788 44

Respectfully,

G. W. BLOUNT,
T. M. ARRINGTON,
A. W. JACKSON,
Finance Committee.

Report adopted.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE'S TABLE.

CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS.	Foreign Missions.	State Misssions.	Associational Missions.	Home and Indian Missions	Ministerial Education.	Sunday School Board.	Minute Fund,
Antioch	.....	.....	$20 00	.....	.....	.....	$1 00
Aurelian Springs	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Conoconary	.....	.....	100 00	.....	$10 00	.....	.....
Bear Swamp	$2 08	.....	100 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00
E. Bowers	.....	.....	50 00	.....	10 00	.....	.....
Cedar Rock	1 78	.....	25 00	.....	5 00	.....	2 00
Dawson's	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Cypress Chapel	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Elm Grove	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Enfield	1 00	.....	10 00	.....	1 03	.....	1 00
Ephesus	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	1 25
Carmel	4 00	.....	10 00	$3 06	.....	.....	.....
M. J. Willoughby	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fishing Creek	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Free Chapel	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	75
Gardner's	.....	.....	30 00	.....	7 00	.....	2 00
Greenville	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Pactolus	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hamilton	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Harris' Chapel	.....	.....	21 00	.....	2 00	.....	1 00
John's Chapel	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Louisburg	.....	.....	150 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Littleton	.....	.....	32 00	.....	.....	.....	1 75
Mt. Vernon	.....	.....	5 46	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Mt. Zion	3 00	$3 00	40 00	.....	7 00	$1 00	1 50
Mt. Olivet	.....	.....	.....	2 60	.....	.....	1 00
New Bethel	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50
New Hope	4 05	....	7 20	.....	.....	.....	1 20
Peach Tree	.....	....	7 73	2 57	.....	.....	1 35
Dr. McManaway	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Philadelphia	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Quankie	.....	.....	10 00	....	5 00	.....	1 00
A. C. Griffin	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Red Bud	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Rocky Spring	.....	.....	30 00	.....	5 00	.....	1 50
Rocky Mount	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00
T. M. Arrington	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sandy Creek	.....	.....	7 50	.....	.....	.....	1 50
Sharon	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Shiloh	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Turkey Branch	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Toisnot	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Williamston	.....	.....	10 50	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Wilson	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Warren Plains	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00
Scotland Neck	.....	.....	200 00	.....	.....	.....	2 00
M. R. Pernell	.....	.....	5 00	....	2 00	.....	.....
E. E. Hilliard	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE'S TABLE.—*Continued.*

CHURCHES AND INDIVIDUALS.	Foreign Missions.	State Missions.	Associational Missions.	Home and Indian Missions	Ministerial Education.	Sunday School Board.	Minute Fund.
J. G. Barkley			$5 00				
Poplar Springs			15 00		$5 00		2 00
Social Plains	$1 00		1 00				50
R. D. Harper			1 00		1 00	50	
J. M. Neal			15 00				
C. A. Woodson			5 00				
T. M. Ward			5 00				
Brown's			50 00				2 00
Wm. Rasser			5 00				
John Watson			50 00				
Warrenton			10 00				
Hickory			10 50				1 50
J. M. Sherrod			5 00				
H. B. S. Pitt			5 00				
Corinth			25 00				2 00
N. F. Falk			2 50				
Joseph Coppedge			2 50				
L. C. Perkinson			10 00				
L. S. Allen			1 00				
Rehoboth			25 00		2 58		1 50
Pleasant Grove							2 00
J. M. Edwards			5 00				
Maple Springs	9 00		40 00				2 00
Mrs. Dr. Jackson			10 00				
A. G. Willcox			10 00				
G. M. Duke			15 00				
Reedy Creek			40 00		10 00		1 50
J. W. Sledge			5 00		2 00		
Scotland Neck					10 00		
J. W. Coppedge			5 00				
D. T. Parker					1 00		
E. S. Green			5 00		5 00		
L. C. Perkinson					5 00		
Brown's					10 00		
Samaria							2 00
Maple Springs			10 00				
W. H. Mann			5 00				
C. M. Cooke			25 00				
	$25 91	$3 00	$1,564 89	$8 23	$115 61	$1 50	$69 30

TAR RIVER ASSOCIATION, *in Account with* A. G. WILLCOX, 1884.

DEBITS.

1883.		
Oct. 15—To balance due Association,	$ 44	68
" amount for Foreign Missions,	22	50
" " " State Missions,	64	50
" " " Education,	113	41
" " " Sunday School Board,		75
" " " Orphan Asylum,	1	55
" " " Minute Fund,	70	45
" " " Sunday collection,	10	50
" " " Cash for Associational Missions,	7	00
" " " Littleton Church for Minutes,	2	00
" " " C. L. Sledge for Education,	2	50
" " " Littleton Church for Associational Missions,	38	50
	$378	34

CONTRA.

1883.			
Oct. 15—By am't paid B. F. Montague for Foreign Missions,	$ 22	50	
" " for State Missions,	64	50	
" " Education,	113	41	
" " Orphan Asylum,	1	55	
" " Sunday School Board,	4	25	
" " Home and Indian Board,	7	00	
" " Edwards Broughton & Co. for Minutes,	60	00	
" " Noah Biggs for Associational Missions,	7	00	
" " " " for Littleton Church, "	38	50	
" " B. Montague for educat n C. L. Sledge,	2	50	
" " Paper, mailing manuscript, &c.,		77	
" " Clerk's fee,	25	00	
	$346	98	
Cash to balance due Association,	31	36	
			$378 34

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. WILLCOX, *Treasurer.*

Committee to select Ministers to preach stated sermons report as follows:

To preach Introductory Sermon—Rev. D. A. Glenn. Alternate, Rev. Thos. Carrick.

To preach Denominational Sermon—Rev. C. A. Woodson. Alternate, Rev. A. D. Cohen.

To preach Missionary Sermon—Rev. A. G. McManaway. Alternate, Rev. G. M. Duke.

JOHN W. ALLEN,
J. H. NICHOLSON,
D. C. THROWER,
Committee.

The following brethren appointed to write on the various subjects:

On Associational Missions—E. E. Hilliard, Rev. D. A. Glenn.
On Periodicals—W. E. Bowers, J. E. Rue, Jr.

On Sunday Schools—F. J. Dennis, John Coppedge.
On State Missions—C. M. Cooke, A. W. Jackson.
On Foreign Missions—Rev. C. A. Woodson, W. E. Daniel.
On Education—Dr. R. D. Fleming, Rev. G. M. Duke.
On Obituaries—Rev. J. D. Hufham, G. L. Finch.

The following by Bro. McManaway:

Resolved, That the collection to-morrow be divided between the State Mission Board and Home Mission Board—two-thirds to State and one-third to Home Mission.

Carried.

Resolution of thanks by Bro. Thomas M. Arrington:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association are heartily tendered to the members of this church, and the people of this community, for the generous hospitality with which they have entertained this body.

Carried unanimously.

The Clerk was instructed to have the usual number of minutes printed, and to receive the fee of $25.00 for his services. Carried.

Delegates to Baptist State Convention: It was ordered by the body that any member present be authorized to represent us in that body.

Upon inquiry of Bro. J. D. Hufham as to the money paid in at this Association, and sent up by the churches for ministerial education, if to be applied to defraying the expenses of brethren Coppedge and Sledge at Bro. Stringfield's school —it was so understood.

Bro. C. M. Cooke was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of Bro. Freeman for publication in minutes.

Association adjourned to meet at Wilson, Thursday before second Sunday in October, 1885.

Prayer, Bro. G. M. Duke leading.

JOHN WATSON, Moderator.

A. G. WILLCOX, Clerk.

APPENDICES.

(A.)

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

From what is said in the second epistle to Timothy, we have no doubt that the Apostle Paul was much interested on the subject of Ministerial Education. Hear him: "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." 2 Tim. 3: 16, 17. This, taken in connection with what he had already said to Timothy in his first letter, ch. 4: 13, "Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine," confirms us in the belief that no man was ever more earnestly interested in "Ministerial Education" than the Apostle Paul.

Read, my brethren, these passages of Scripture, and take into consideration all that is therein involved, and you will become more and more Apostolic on this subject than you have ever been. Paul was an educated man, and speaks from his own convictions as such, from whatever standpoint we may view this subject. There were special reasons for Paul's counsel to Timothy. He had to contend with the Jews and the Gentiles, who were well versed in Scriptural and general literature. To reason with the Ritualists, the Pharisees, Sadducees, Stoics, and other Philosophers, needed a competent knowledge of Arabic, Syriac, Hebrew, Greek and Latin languages and literature. No wonder Timothy must give himself to "reading" and "meditation."

Nor are there any less reasons at the present time with its old issues restated, and new ones projected, to be perfect, "thoroughly furnished unto all good works"; that "the man of God" should have *all* the advantages to be derived from the ministerial private classes, our colleges and universities.

We would, therefore, commend our young men who are looking to a consecration of themselves to the work of the ministry, to avail themselves of all the means in their power to prepare themselves so that they may be "thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

We would urge upon the churches the duty of liberal contributions towards the support of the dear young men who need their beneficence, and whom, we trust, God has called to the work of the ministry.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. COHEN.

(B.)

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sunday Schools has been at some pains to examine the letters sent up by the churches to this meeting, and reports for your consideration the following facts:

Twelve churches report an aggregate increase of 270 in their Sunday School numbers. Eight churches that made no report last year increase this aggregate to 729. Twelve of the churches report a decrease in their Sunday School numbers aggregating 98. Fifteen of the churches make no allusion in their letters to their Sunday School statistics. They may or may not have Sunday Schools.

Your committee would make two recommendations:

1. That the church clerks be requested to report their Sunday School statistics in their letters to the Association.

2. That the Sunday Schools be requested to order their Sunday School supplies from our State Sunday School Board, located at Raleigh, Bro. John E. Ray, Secretary.

(C.)

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The Foreign Mission work is one that appeals strongly to the Christian world for their sympathy, their prayers and their support. The great command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel unto every creature," plainly teaches the fact that it is the duty of those who have the Gospel to go themselves, or send it to those who are without it. The Southern Baptist Convention, through their Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Virginia, are pushing this work with commendable zeal and marked success. We now have missionaries in Northern, Central and Southern China, in Africa, in Italy, in Brazil, and in Mexico. Twenty-four in China, with some 28 native assistants are doing mission work in that country. In Africa we have seven missionaries, and some native assistants. In Italy, three missionaries, with an able corps of assistants; in Brazil four; in Mexico seven. God is signally blessing the labors of the faithful men and women whom the Board has sent to these various fields. When God opens the way we should be willing to follow. The Foreign Mission Board calls on North Carolina for $8,000 for the present Conventional year. Bro. O. F. Gregory, Vice-President for the Board for North Carolina, has apportioned this amount among the various Associations composing the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. The amount called for from our Association is $300. Considering the size and resources of our Association, this amount ought to be raised without difficulty, and can be, by proper effort on the part of pastors and churches. Brethren, let us see to it that this amount is raised between this time and the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention next May.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. WOODSON.

(D.)

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention deserves our sympathies, prayers and contributions. It has for its field of labor the States and territories of our own Southern land. Its success, too, is encouraging. Last year it employed 144 missionaries, and by their labors, 4,190 persons were gathered into Baptist churches.

It is a matter of regret that only five of our half a hundred churches made any contribution to this Board, and they gave a total of only $17.37.

Shall we not do better next year for this Board? Let each church see that a collection is taken by April 1st, 1885, and the proceeds forwarded to the Treasurer of the Baptist State Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. MCMANAWAY.

Sunday School Statistics.

CHURCHES.	SUPERINTENDENT AND PO T OFFICE ADDRESS.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Average Attendance.	Volumes.	Conversions.	No. months school kept open.	Kind Words taken.	Other Papers.	Baptist Teachers.	Contributed by Schools.
Brown's,	John W. Allen, Brookston,	6	50	35	20	...	12	...	40	...	$ 5 00
Corinth,	A. D. Ellis, Henderson,	4	62	.....	120	...	8	...	.....	...	10 00
Cedar Rock,	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock,	9	49	39	.....	...	12	...	35	5	18 55
Cypress Chapel,	Jasper Strickland, Mapleville,	3	24	.....	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	.....
Dawson's,	J.T. Lawrence, Dawson's X R'ds	10	38	20	24	...	9	...	50	...	7 50
Elm Grove,	R. T. Matthews, Nashville,	10	85	60	.....	...	5	...	.....	...	.....
Enfield,	F. J. Dennis, Enfield,	5	31	20	15	..	12	...	3	1	8 30
Ephesus,	J. T. Webb, Nashville,	7	50	35	.....	...	7	...	.....	...	.....
Gardner's,	Joseph W. Shearin, Macon,	12	38	30	40	14	8	...	.....	..	.....
Greenville,	C. J. Hunter, Greenville,	14	80	58	300	..	...	...	142	24	75 00
Hamilton,	R. B. Salisbury, Hamilton,	9	50	36	50	...	12	30	12	...	25 64
Harris' Chapel,	W. E. Mabry, Arcola,	6	27	15	12	..	6	...	.....	...	4 00
John's Chapel,	Gaston H. Broughton,	....	30	....	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	.....
Louisburg,	C. M. Cooke, Louisburg,	10	80	60	.....	...	12	...	.....	...	175 00
Littleton,	B. R. Browning, Littleton,	7	45	35	90	...	12	...	.....	1	.....
Mt. Zion,	Geo. H. Cooper, Laurel,	10	80	60	100	...	9	15	.....	5	71 50
Peach Tree,	S. C. Edwards, Castalia,	7	70	50	.....	...	8	...	.....	...	.....
Poplar Springs,	J. H. Cheaves, Sutton,	21	250	140	.....	...	12	10	.....	...	.....
Quankie,	Willis Cullom, Weldon,	5	42	25	.....	...	6	...	.....	...	3 60
Red Bud,	J. H. Colbert, Cedar Rock,	8	74	50	.....	...	6	...	.....	...	2 50
Rock Spring,	W. D. Harris, Louisburg,	18	88	60	100	...	9	...	12	...	12 00
Rocky Mount,	H. D. Avery, Rocky Mount,	13	54	40	66	...	12	20	15	...	30 00
Sandy Creek,	Wesley Burnett, Laurel,	8	58	35	.....	...	6	...	.....	...	.....
Sharon,	James H. Hicks, Oakville,	5	40	20	50	...	9	...	.....	...	8 00
Scotland Neck,	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck,	16	156	100	.....	...	12	...	.....	40	84 87
Shiloh,	M. G. Crudup, Kittrell,	....	50	35	.....	...	...	...	.....	...	.....
Tarboro,	C. J. Austin, Tarboro,	5	35	30	.....	...	12	...	25	...	50 00
Turkey Branch,	D. C. Thrower, Enfield,	7	60	40	.....	...	9	...	43	...	4 00
Warren Plains,	W. H. Bartlett, Warren Plains,	6	35	30	100	...	12	...	37	...	30 80
Wilson,	G. W. Blount, Wilson,	13	75	50	.....	...	12	...	50	10	25 00
Williamston,	E. C. Bardwell, Williamston,	9	45	40	100	...	12	...	50	...	.....
		263	1951	1248	1187	14		75	514	86	$651 26

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	COUNTIES.	PASTORS.	CLERKS AND POST OFFICE.	Time of Preaching.	Additions.			Diminut'ns.			White Males.	White Females.	Total White.	Colored.	Total.
					Baptism.	Letter.	Restored.	Excluded.	Letter.	Death.					
Antioch	Halifax	R. D. Harper	J. J. Partin, Heathsville	1	.....	.....	1	1	7	4	25	50	76	1	77
Bear Swamp	"	G. M. Duke	J. H. Connell, Brinkleyville	2	.....	1	...	...	.....	...	29	44	73	6	79
Brown's	Warren	D. A. Glenn	John Watson, Warrenton	2	13	4	...	...	2	2	36	46	81	27	108
Conoconary	Halifax		J. A. Pope, Crowells	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	161
Carmel	.....	M. J. Willoughby	M. J. Willoughby, Taylor	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	...	5	4	9	.....	9
Corinth	Franklin	A. G. McManaway	A. D. Ellis, Henderson	1, 3	2	2	...	..	2	2	50	77	127	.....	127
Cedar Rock	"	G. W. Newell	J. A. Coppedge, Cedar Rock	1	4	1	1	1	6	..	44	56	100	.....	100
Cypress Chapel	"	D. Wester	W. B. Stallings, Mapleville	4	.....	.....	...	2	2	...	19	34	53	2	55
Dawson's	Halifax	C. A. Woodson	B. C. Dunn, Dawson's X Roads	1, 3	.....	10	..	...	.....	...	35	47	82	.....	82
Elm Grove	Nash	M. R. Pernell	J. Y. Rackley, Nashville	1	9	4	3	3	.....	1	40	65	105	.....	105
Enfield	Halifax	C. A. Woodson	S. S. Alsop, Enfield	2	9	3	1	...	3	...	13	22	35	.....	35
Ephesus	Nash	G. W. Coppedge	H. M. Warren, Wilson	3	16	11	...	1	1	1	27	30	57	.....	57
Fishing Creek	"	G. W. Newell	M. Bobbitt, Ringwood	3	5	.....	...	...	.....	2	13	18	31	.....	31
Free Chapel	"	R. D. Harper	T. A. Bone, Nashville	4	5	.....	...	...	.....	1	15	31	46	.....	46
Gardner's	Warren	D. A. Glenn	J. W. Shearin, Macon	3	19	3	...	2	3	...	47	78	125	.....	125
Greenville	Pitt	Thos. Carrick	D. J. Whichard, Greenville	1, 3	.....	.....	...	...	.....	4	17	58	75	.....	75
Hamilton	Martin	A. D. Cohen	R. B. Salisbury, Hamilton	1, 3	.....	6	...	1	5	1	12	33	45	.....	45
Harris' Chapel	Halifax	A. G. Willcox	B. Y. Harriss, Arcola	3	11	1	...	3	2	...	23	38	61	.....	61
Hickory	Nash	J. G. Barkley	B. F. Drake, Battleboro	1	5	.....	...	1	6	...	31	39	70	.....	70
John's Chapel	.....	G. W. Coppedge	C. V. Broughton, Wilson	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	...	.....	.....	37	.....	37
Louisburg	Franklin	A. G. McManaway	A. M. Hall, Louisburg	1, 3	2	7	...	...	4	1	40	59	99	.....	99
Littleton	Halifax	D. A. Glenn	W. S. Bobbitt, Littleton	4	22	3	..	5	.....	..	41	63	104	.....	104
Mt. Vernon	Nash	C. A. Woodson	T. D. Wright, Battleboro	4	.....	.....	...	...	2	1	6	2	8	.....	8
Maple Springs	Franklin	G. M. Duke	A. W. Jackson, Mapleville	4	6	2	4	6	3	1	36	68	104	14	118
Mt. Olivet	"	J. A. Pitchford	Fenner Tharrington, Franklinton	1	3	.....	...	...	3	...	12	29	41	.....	41
Mt. Zion	"	G. M. Duke	A. P. Joyner, Laurel	1	.....	.....	...	2	.....	...	36	70	106	.....	106
New Bethel	Vance	G. W. Coppedge	R. H. Duke, Henderson	1	6	4	...	1	2	...	39	76	115	.....	115
New Hope	Wilson	M. J. Willoughby	Henry F. Farmer, Wilson	2	7	.....	1	2	5	...	31	36	67	.....	67
Peach Tree	Nash	I. W. Sledge	J. J. Edwards, Castalia	1	11	.....	..	1	2	3	70	137	207	51	258
Philadelphia*	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	133
Pleasant Grove	Nash	D. Wester	Z. R. Hinton, Nashville	.....	.....	.....	...	...	.....	4	20	57	77	5	82

Poplar Springs	Franklin	O. L. Stringfield	J. H. Cheaves, Sutton	2	20	2	1	6	4	3	103	152	255		255
Pine Forest															
Quankie	Halifax	A. G. Willcox	Willis Cullon, Weldon	4	23	6					31	44	75		75
Red Bud	Franklin	J. A. Pitchford	J. H. Colbert, Castalia	2	15	12	1	1	4	2	58	107	165		165
Rehoboth	Nash	G. M. Duke	G. T. Coley, Rocky Mount	3	3				4	1	36	52	88		88
Reedy Creek	Warren	A. G. Willcox	B. P. Davis, Creek	1		5	5	8	8	3	51	100	151		151
Rock Springs	Franklin	I. H. Booth	J. H. Odum, Louisburg	1	2	1	3	5		1	38	69	107		107
Roanoke															
Rocky Mount	Nash	J. T. Lynch	H. D. Avery, Rocky Mount	2, 3		4		4	6	2	11	16	27		27
Samaria*	"		Wesley Privett, Stanhope												193
Sandy Creek	Franklin	J. A. Pitchford	N. Davis, Cedar Rock	3	8	5	2	1	5	1	55	131	186		186
Sharon	Warren	D. A. Glenn	T. R. Perkinson, Warren Plains	1				4	3	2	36	71	107		107
Shiloh	Vance	J. Perry	Handy Crudup, Kittrell's		15			17		7				590	590
Scotland Neck	Halifax	J. D. Hufham	E. E. Hilliard, Scotland Neck	1,2,3,4	10	3	1		4	1	52	73	125		125
Social Plains	Franklin	R. Driver	J. B. Bunn										22		22
Turkey Branch	Halifax	A. G. Willcox	D. C. Thrower, Enfield	2	13						17	20	37		37
Toisnot	Wilson		E. H. Vick, Toisnot							1	9	3	12		12
Tarboro	Edgecombe	J. M. McManaway	C. J. Austin, Tarboro	2, 4		1			1	2	8	18	26		26
Williamston	Martin	A. D. Cohen	D. Worthington, Williamston	2, 4	2	2					6	20	26		26
Warrenton															
Warren Plains	Warren	D. A. Glenn	W. E. Hawks, Warren Plains	1	5	7		1	1	3	28	30	58		58
Wilson	Wilson	J. M. McManaway	B. J. Cobb, Wilson	1, 3	14	15			2	1	31	44	75		75
Washington															
					285	125	24	79	102	58	1381	2317	3698	696	4951

* Last year's statistics.

FINANCIAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	Pastor's Salary.	Foreign Missions	State Missions	Home & an Missions	Associational Missions	Church Expe'ses	Church Extension.	Sunday Schools.	Minute Fund.	Education.	Other Objects.	Incid'tal and Parsonage.	Total.
Antioch	$ 50 00	$	$	$	$ 20 00	8	$		$1 00	$	$	$	$ 71 00
Bear Swamp	200 00	2 08			100 00				2 00				304 08
Brown's	175 00	5 80			50 00				2 00	10 00			240 80
Carmel		4 00		3 06	10 00								17 06
Conoconary					100 00					10 00			110 00
Corinth	200 00	6 36		3 14	25 00	25 00			2 00	5 00			266 50
Cedar Rock	100 00	1 78			25 00				2 00	5 00			133 78
Cypress Chapel					5 00				1 00				6 00
Dawson's	250 00				20 00	35 00			1 00				306 00
Elm Grove	75 00				10 00	60 00			1 50				146 50
Enfield	150 00	1 00			10 00	25 92			1 00	1 03			188 95
Ephesus	60 00								1 25	10 00			71 25
Fishing Creek	100 00				10 00	200 00			1 00				311 00
Free Chapel	30 00				5 00				75				35 75
Gardner's	150 00		6 00		30 00				2 00	10 00	13 00		211 00
Greenville	500 00				50 00				1 00		125 00	120 30	796 30
Hamilton	200 00				25 00	22 50			1 00				248 50
Harriss Chapel	80 00		2 00		21 00	55 00		4 00	1 00	5 00			168 00
Hickory					3 50				1 50				4 50
Johns' Chapel					5 00				1 00				6 00
Louisburg	500 00	12 00		6 00	150 00	215 00			2 00	30 00	1200 00		2,117 00
Littleton	175 00		2 50		32 00	15 00			1 75		8 50		217 75
Mt. Vernon	70 00				5 46	5 00			1 00				81 46
Mt. Olivet	60 00			2 60					1 00				63 60
Mt. Zion	150 00	3 00	3 00		40 00	50 00		1 00	1 50	7 00			255 00
Maple Springs	150 00	9 00			50 00				2 00		4 00		215 00
New Bethel	40 00				10 00	10 00			1 50				61 50
New Hope	25 00	4 05			7 20				1 20				37 45
Peach Tree	75 00				7 73				1 35	2 57			86 65
Philadelphia†									3 00				
Pleasant Grove	30 00								3 00				33 00
Poplar Springs	150 00				15 00	305 00			2 00	5 00			497 00
Pine Forest													
Quankie	100 00				10 00	225 00			1 00	5 00			341 00
Red Bud					15 00				1 50				16 50
Rehoboth	150 00		2 56		25 00	70 00			1 50	2 58			251 64

Reedy Creek	100 00		5 40		50 00				1 50	10 00	15 80		182 70
Rock Springs					30 00				1 50	5 00			36 50
Roanoke													
Rocky Mt.*	150 00				10 00	35 00			1 00		78 01		274 01
Samaria†									2 00				2 00
Sandy Creek					7 50				1 50				9 00
Sharon	150 00		24 87		20 00	4 00	10 00		2 00	5 00			215 87
Scotland Neck	1000 00	10 00	50 00		225 00	100 00			2 00	50 00	1000 00		2,437 00
Social Plains		1 00			1 00			50	50				3 00
Shiloh	75 00				15 00				2 00				92 00
Tarboro	400 90					60 00					390 00		850 00
Toisnot									1 00				1 00
Turkey Branch	50 00				10 00	101 50			1 00				162 50
Washington													
Warrenton													
Warren Plains	60 00		3 26		10 00				2 00	7 00			82 26
Wilson	600 00				50 00	205 50			2 00				11 50
Williamston					10 50				1 00				
	$6580 00	$58 07	$99 59	$14 80	1330 89	1829 42	$10 00	5 50	69 80	185 18	2834 31	120 30	$12,254 86

*Church debt $20.00.
†The Clerk finds no letters and hence no report. Minute fund taken from finance committee table.

CONSTITUTION.

1st. The Association shall be composed of the pastors, and of the members chosen by the different churches in our union, who shall be members whom they deem best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches, certifying their appointment, shall be entitled to a seat.

2nd. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their number in fellowship, those baptized, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated and died since the last Association.

3rd. Members thus chosen and convened shall be denominated the Ta r River Baptist Association, who shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any ecclesiastical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on any of the internal rights of any of the churches of this union.

4th. The Association, when convened, shall have a Moderator and a Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrages of the members present.

5th. Other churches may be admitted into this union, who shall petition by letter and by delegates, and upon examination, if found orthodox or orderly, shall be received by the Moderator giving the delegates the right hand of fellowship.

6th. Any church in this union shall be entitled to a representative in the Association, but shall not send more than three members from each church.

7th. Every motion made and seconded shall be left to the discretion of the Association whether it shall be debated or not.

8th. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with the minutes. The best method for effecting this purpose shall be left to the discretion of the same.

9th. We think it absolutely necessary to have an Associational fund for defraying the expenses of the same. For raising and supporting the same sum, we think it the duty of each church in this union to contribute voluntarily such sums as they may think proper, and send it by the hands of their delegates to the Association, who shall be accountable to the same for all money received and paid according to the direction of the Association.

10th. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

11th. The Association shall have power to enquire into the cause why the churches do not, at any time of its sittings, represent themselves.

12th. The Association shall have power to withdraw from any church in this union, which may violate the rules of the same, or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion.

13th. The Association shall have power to invite all visiting brethren in the ministry from other churches or Associations, whom they esteem of good moral character, and of the same faith and order, to sit with her in council.

14th. This Association shall not have power to exercise any authority over the private sentiments of individual brethren or churches, respecting the various institutions of the day, proposing to have for their object the spreading of the Gospel, and the diffusion of useful knowledge.

15th. The Association shall have power to adjourn to any future time or place they may think most convenient to the churches.

16th. This Constitution shall be subject to alteration when a majority of this Association think proper.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Believing it to be our indispensable duty to enter into certain rules and regulations in conducting the business of this Association, we adopt the following:

1st. The Association shall be opened and closed by prayer.

2nd. Not more than one person shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator by the appellation of brother.

3d. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted until he is done, unless he breaks the rules of this decorum.

4th. The person speaking shall strictly adhere to the subject, and in no wise reflect on the person who spoke before; but shall faiely state the case so as to convey his ideas.

5th. No brother shall abruptly break off or absent himself from the Association without obtaining liberty.

6th. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject without obtaining liberty from the Association.

7th. No person shall be at liberty to whisper in the time that a brother is making a speech.

8th. The Moderator shall not interrupt any member, or prohibit his speaking, until he gives his ideas on the subject, unless he violates the rules of this decorum.

9th. Tha names of the several members shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

10th. The Moderator may be entitled to give his ideas on any subject before putting it to a vote, but not entitled to vote only in case of a tie.

11th. Any member who shall knowingly break any of these rules, shall be reproved by the body as they may think proper.

W. H. Eller
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